

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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ORGANIC FERTILISERS  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government provides subsidy on organic fertilisers as part of a project to promote organic farming;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the action plan prepared for the XI Five year Plan in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a): Under National Project on Organic Farming (NPOF) financial assistance is provided for setting up fruit/vegetable waste compost units, vermiculture hatchery units and bio-fertilizer production units up to 25% of total project cost as credit linked back ended subsidy. Besides under "National Project on Management of Soil Health & Fertility" (NPMSF) there is provision for subsidy on promotion of organic fertilizer up to Rs.500 per hectare.

(b) & (c): The State-wise details of funds released for setting up of organic input production units under NPOF scheme and subsidy released on promoting the use of organic fertilizers under NPMSF scheme are given at Annexure I & II. Assistance under these components is available during 11th Five Year Plan.