GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6292 ANSWERED ON:04.05.2010 INCENTIVES FOR VEGETABLE CROPS Hegde Shri Anant Kumar;Singh Shri Rajiv Ranjan (Lalan)

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of fiscal incentives extended to the farmers for enhancing the production of potato, onion and other vegetables in the country, crop-wise;
- (b) the annual growth rate of production of horticulture crops during the last three years and the current year, year-wise; and
- (c) the target set for growth rate and the achievement thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year?

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): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing two centrally sponsored schemes namely (i) Technology Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture in North Eastern States including Sikkim, Uttarakhand, Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh and (ii) National Horticulture Mission in the remaining states of the country for holistic development of horticulture. Under TMNE scheme, incentive of Rs13,000/ha is given to the farmers for cultivation of vegetables, where as under NHM scheme, incentive of Rs.50,000/ha is given to the farmers for production of vegetable seeds including potato and onion.
- (b) & (c): The annual growth rate of production of horticultural crops and production during the last three years and current year is as under:

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Year Production of Growth rate horticulture crops of production (%) (million MT)
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 2006-07
 191.81
 4.93

 2007-08
 211.26
 10.14

 2008-09
 214.71
 1.63

 2009-10
 222.79
 3.76