

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF VEGETABLES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any comprehensive scheme for increasing the production of vegetables in view of its increasing demand;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the cultivable areas under vegetables in each State, item-wise;
- (d) whether some States have registered a decline in the cultivable area; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof indicating the reasons therefor, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI ARUN YADAV)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing two Centrally Sponsored Schemes, viz., (i) Horticulture Mission for North-East and Himalayan States (HMNEH) and (ii) National Horticulture Mission (NHM) for the holistic development of horticulture crops including vegetables by adopting an area based regionally differentiated cluster approach. Under these missions, financial assistance is available for production of vegetable seeds, integrated pest & nutrient management, organic farming, technology dissemination through demonstration, human resource development, mechanization, primary/mobile processing units, development of infrastructure for post harvest management and marketing. Under HMNEH, assistance is also provided for cultivation of vegetable crops.

(c) to (e): A statement showing the details of cultivable areas under vegetables in each State, item-wise is annexed.