

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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LOSS TO COCONUT PLANTATIONS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the area affected and the extent of loss to coconut plantations due to the spread of bud root disease during each of the last two years and the current year in various States including Kerala;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide compensation to the affected farmers in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

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): As per survey reports severe incidence of Bud rot disease and loss of coconut plantations has not been reported from coconut growing States during the year 2007-08 and current year. Severe infestation has been reported in the hilly tracts of Kasaragod district of Kerala during the year 2008-09.
- (b): During 2008-09, an amount of Rs.373.10 lakhs was sanctioned for prophylactic and curative measures, integrated nutrient management and compensation for cutting and removal of 67,121 completely damaged palms.