GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1315 ANSWERED ON:29.11.2011 PRODUCTION OF GINGER Antony Shri Anto;Shetkar Shri Suresh Kumar

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the production of ginger in ginger producing States during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to encourage ginger production in view of the alarming increase in the international prices;
- (c) if so, the special incentives are being provided to the ginger farmers; and
- (d) the funds earmarked for the purpose in the current Five Year Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a): A statement showing the production of ginger in ginger producing States during each of the last three years is given at Annexure-I.
- (b) & (c): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation provides financial assistance to the farmers for enhancing production of horticulture crops, including ginger under two Centrally Sponsored Schemes, viz., (i) Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH) and (ii) National Horticulture Mission (NHM) for rest of the States. Financial assistance is provided for various production related components including area expansion; production and supply of seed and planting material; development of model nurseries; seed infrastructure for horticulture crops including ginger. The pattern and maximum rate of assistance available under NHM & HMNEH for spices including ginger is given at Annexure-II.
- (d): Statement showing the funds earmarked for the purpose during current Five Year plan under NHM and HMNEH are given at Annexure-III.