

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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AGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL IN AGRICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has made any agreement with the Israel for boosting agriculture cooperation in technology;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the extent to which the agreement is likely to be useful for agriculture sector?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam.

An agreement between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of Israel for cooperation in the field of agriculture has been signed on 24th December, 1993.

The MoU provides for collaboration in the areas of water and soil management, arid and semi-arid crop production, fruit and vegetable production, post harvest, plant and animal sciences, plant protection and control, veterinary science, agri-business, farm mechanization and technology, agricultural training and extension, agricultural research and agro-forestry etc.

(c): Thereafter an Action Plan (2008-2010) was agreed upon in January, 2008. Progress has been achieved in the areas of horticulture mechanisation, protected cultivation, orchard and canopy management, nursery management training, micro irrigating and PHM etc.