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HORTICULTURE MISSION
Premajibhai Dr. Solanki Kiritbhai

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH) has been successful in attracting private sector investment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the other steps taken by the Government to promote horticulture in the North East and the Himalayan States?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOODPROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The details of private sector investments in setting up of nurseries, tissue culture units, cold storages and processing units under Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH) are given in Annexure.

(c): Under the above scheme, financial assistance is also provided for technology generation/refinement/demonstration, import of planting material for trial & demonstration, production and supply of quality seed and planting material, area expansion with improved high yielding varieties, rejuvenation replacement of senile orchards, protected cultivation, plastic mulching, anti hail nets, creation of water resources, organic farming, certification of good agricultural practices (GAP), promotion of integrated pest & disease and nutrient management, pollination support through bee keeping, promotion of mechanization, human resource development, establishment of market infrastructure, etc. for holistic development of horticulture in North East and Himalayan States.