

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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MARKETING OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any institutional arrangement has been put in place for production, marketing and delivery of fruits and vegetables; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Ministry of Agriculture is implementing two Centrally Sponsored Schemes namely i) Horticulture Mission for North east and Himalayan States and ii) National Horticulture Mission for holistic development of horticulture in a mission mode approach covering entire spectrum of horticulture right from production to consumption through backward and forward linkage. All manner of assistance is provided to State Horticulture Departments and National Level agencies namely Indian Council of Agriculture Research (ICAR), National Horticulture Board (NHB), Small Farmers Agri Business Consortium (SFAC), National Horticulture Research and Development Foundation (NHRDF), National Committee on Plasticulture Application in Horticulture (NCPAH), National Seeds Corporation (NSC), Directorate of Marketing and Inspection (DMI), National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India (NAFED) to provide adequate support for production, marketing and delivery of fruits and vegetables.