

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has held any talks with the farmers producing fruits and vegetables meant for export to increase, the production of the same;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government with regard to the said outcome?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): The Government did not have any talks with the farmers producing fruits and vegetables meant for export. The Government is, however, implementing various schemes such as National Horticulture Mission and Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States for the holistic development of horticulture including fruits and vegetables. Assistance meant for enhancing productivity of these crops include production and distribution of quality seeds and planting material through nurseries and tissue culture laboratories, area expansion with improved varieties, taking up protected cultivation in green houses and shadenet houses, integrated Pest Management (IPM)/ Integrated Nutrient Management (INM) along with training of farmers and field staff on latest technologies.