

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION IN NORTH - EASTERN STATES

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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the agricultural production in the North-Eastern States particularly Assam is much lesser as compared to the other regions of the country;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the production of various crops in the region during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide additional incentives to the farmers in these States viz. subsidy on seeds, waiving of interest on loans from nationalised banks etc.;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and , ;
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to discourage Jhum cultivation in the North-Eastern States and to increase agricultural productivity by adopting scientific measures?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

- (a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.