GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2162 ANSWERED ON:27.03.2012 BAMBOO PRODUCTS UNDER RKVY Raghavan Shri M. K.

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to include the bamboo products and coconut leaf products like baskets, etc. under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the activities involved in both these by-products are similar in nature to sericulture and hence including it as an agricultural activity would be considered; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) is a State Plan Scheme. Projects under the scheme are not approved by the Government of India. The funds are released to the State Government on the basis of projects approved by State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC). It is for the State Government to further implement the scheme in the State for increasing production and productivity in the State to achieve 4% growth in agriculture and allied sector and for the betterment of farmers.

The activities relating to bamboo products and coconut leaf products are not similar to sericulture. However, the sericulture activities till cocoon production stage, are agri-based activities. Therefore, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India has included Sericulture and allied activities under RKVY Scheme.