

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF MANGOES  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the best quality `Alphonso` mangoes are being produced in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Union Government proposes to increase its production in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the financial assistance given to farmers for this purpose, State-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) to (d): Alphonso is an important variety of mango grown in all the major mango producing states of the country. The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing two Centrally Sponsored Schemes namely, Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH) and National Horticulture Mission (NHM) for holistic development of horticulture, which include increase in production of "Alphonso" mango. Under HMNEH, financial assistance is provided to the farmers for cultivation of mango 75% of the cost of Rs.80000/ha and Rs.40000/ha for high density and normal planting density, respectively, while @ 50% of the cost under NHM. The details of state-wise funds released under area expansion of fruits including mango is Annexed.