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COCOA CULTIVATION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the States where Cocoa is being cultivated;
- (b) the total cocoa produced during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) the schemes undertaken by the Union Government for the promotion of cocoa; and ..
- (d) the financial assistance provided by the Union Government to various States during the last three years and the current year in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Cocoa is cultivated mainly in the states of Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. The production of cocoa during each of the last three years, State-wise is as under:-

State	Production in MT		
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Kerala	6344	7105	5900
Tamil Nadu	900	990	2000
Karnataka	3006	3367	1000
Andhra Pradesh	2704	2974	4000
Total	12954	14436	12900

Source : Directorate of Cocoa & Cashew Development

(c) & (d): In order to increase the production and productivity of horticultural crops including cocoa, a centrally sponsored scheme, National Horticulture Mission (NHM) is being implemented in the country for the holistic development of horticulture sector. Under the mission, assistance is provided for area expansion, rejuvenation of senile plantations, creation of community water resources, protected cultivation, Integrated Nutrient and Pest Management, organic farming, pollination support through beekeeping, human resources development, development of post harvest management & marketing infrastructure.

Details of funds released to the states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Goa for plantation crops including cocoa development are as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	Release
2009-10	645.95
2010-11	794.62
2011-12	1133.2
2012-13	161.67

Besides, Directorate of Cashew and Cocoa Development is also implementing programmes for development of cocoa in the country.