

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1631
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MISSION OIL PALM
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposed to launch a separate mission to promote the production of oil palm and oil seeds during the XIIth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR)

(a) & (b): The Department of Agriculture & Co-operation has proposed to launch a Technology Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (TMO&P) during Twelfth Plan period to exploit all resources of vegetable oils production. The Mission will consist of three Mini Missions i.e., Mini Mission-I on Oilseeds for increasing production and productivity of major oilseeds, Mini Mission-II on Oil Palm for sustainable development of Oil Palm including area expansion and Mini Mission-III on Tree Borne Oilseeds (TBOs) to enhance area under TBOs with the focus on utilizing wastelands.

(c): Question does not arise.