

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has any scheme to tap the potential of floriculture in various States including West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details/quantum of flowers produced in various States including West Bengal during each of the last three years;
- (d) whether lack of water for irrigation has adversely affected production of flowers in various States;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether any relief/financial assistance is provided by the Government in this regard; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof, State-wise ?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) The Government of India is implementing two Centrally Sponsored Schemes namely National Horticulture Mission (NHM) and Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH). HMNEH is being implemented in the North Eastern and Himalayan States and NHM is being implemented in remaining States including West Bengal and Union Territories including West Bengal for the holistic development of horticulture sector including promotion of floriculture. A details of cost norms and assistance available under these Missions is given in Annexure-I.
- (c) The details of State-wise production of flowers during 2009-2012 is given in Annexure-II.
- (d) & (e) As indicated in Annexure-I, there has been no adverse impact on production of flowers during the last three years.
- (f) & (g) Does not arise.