GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:106 ANSWERED ON:05.03.2013 NATIONAL HORTICULTURE MISSION Reddy Shri Modugula Venugopala ;Sainuji Shri Kowase Marotrao

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the functioning of the National Horticulture Mission (NHM) in the country;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof along with the targets fixed and achieved under the Mission during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the deficiencies noticed and the remedial steps taken by the Government for the effective implementation of NHM in the country; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to strengthen the marketing facilities for the farmers of horticultural produce?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 106 DUE FOR REPLY ON 5TH MARCH, 2013.

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. The implementation of NHM is reviewed by the Government from time to time. On the basis of such review, emphasis has been laid on accreditation and strengthening of public nurseries, development of new nurseries in private sector, rejuvenation of existing orchards, protected cultivation, creation of post harvest management infrastructure and markets in the Annual Action Plans of the States.

State-wise details of the physical targets fixed and achieved under NHM during the last 3 years and the current year are at Annexure – I, II, III & IV.

Assistance is available for setting up terminal markets, wholesale markets, rural markets/apni mandis and retail markets under NHM.