

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PRODUCTION OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a bumper crop production of fruits including apple, pineapple, mango and orange in the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State and fruit-wise;
- (c) the share or percentage of these items produced in India as against the total fruits and vegetables production globally, fruit/vegetable-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has implemented or proposes to implement any scheme to strengthen the market linkages; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) As per present estimates, the production of fruits including apple, pineapple, mango and orange in the country during 2012-13 is 80.56 million tonnes as against 76.42 million tonnes last year. The state and fruit-wise production during last three years and current year is given at Annexure - I to IV.

India's share in World production of fruits and vegetables is 12.50% and 14%, respectively. Details of India's share in world production of fruits and vegetables is given at Annexure- V.

Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing National Horticulture Mission and Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States for overall development of horticulture. Under which, assistance is provided for strengthening of market infrastructure such as terminal markets, wholesale markets, rural primary market, apni mandies, etc., having forward and backward linkages. Assistance is also provided under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana to develop market infrastructure.