

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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CULTIVATION OF MANGO
Noor Mausam

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes and initiatives undertaken by the Government to promote the cultivation of mango in various States of the country;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to form a Mango Board in the current fiscal or the next;
- (c) if so, the details of the work and responsibilities proposed to be undertaken by the Board;
- (d) whether any debt relief package has been sanctioned by the Government for mango producers of drought affected areas; 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): In order to enhance production and productivity of horticulture crops in the country including mango, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture is implementing Schemes namely Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH), National Horticulture Mission (NHM) and Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY). Under these schemes, assistance is provided for establishment of nurseries, centre of excellence, area expansion through improved varieties, high density planting, rejuvenation, creation of water sources, integrated nutrient & pest management, creation of post harvest management & marketing infrastructure and setting up of processing units.

Regarding formation of Mango Board & sanctioning of dept relief package, no such proposal is under consideration.