

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Karnataka is now the largest producer of coconut in the country and it produces 14000 nuts per hectare since implementing the modern method of cultivation;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is considering to set up a Coconut Parlour in Karnataka where coconut products like coconut milk, coconut chips, dried coconut milk powder, fresh coconut water etc. can be sold to the public at cheaper rates; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Karnataka is the third largest producer of coconut in the country with a total production of 21.02 million MT and productivity is 7644 nuts per ha.

Coconut Development Board (CDB) is extending financial assistance @ 50% of the project cost limited to Rs. 1.5 lakh per unit for establishment of coconut parlours in the country including Karnataka.

CDB has not received any proposal for setting up a coconut parlour in Karnataka.