

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE FOR CULTIVATION OF PADDY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to provide special facilities, financial assistance, hybrid seeds, irrigation facilities etc. to increase the production of paddy and adopting scientific method of cultivation in high yield paddy areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of special facilities being provided at present to the paddy growers?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): In order to increase the production of paddy in the country, Government of India has been providing financial assistance for distribution of hybrid seeds, high yielding varieties seeds, soil ameliorants, micro-nutrients, plant protection chemicals, improved farm machineries, pumpsets/shallow tube-wells etc to State Governments through various crop development programmes. In addition, the improved crop production technologies are also disseminated through organization of cluster demonstrations, Front Line Demonstrations and farmers' trainings to enhance production and productivity of paddy.