GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2795 ANSWERED ON:27.08.2013 COMPENSATION TO MOSAMBI PRODUCERS Ganpatrao Shri Jadhav Prataprao

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mosambi trees in Buldhana and Marathwada regions of Maharashtra have dried up due to the recent drought and the farmers have suffered severe losses but no compensation has been given by the Government to the affected farmers, so far;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the efforts made by the Government to compensate these affected farmers?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): In view of deficient rainfall situation especially in Marathwada and parts of Western and Central Maharashtra, Government of India had approved a special package for rejuvenation of orchards in drought affected districts of the State with an allocation of Rs.400 crore during 2012-13 under National Horticulture Mission. Government of India has further enhanced this allocation by Rs.157.60 crore during 2013-14.

During current monsoon season, Government of Maharashtra has not reported drought in any part of the State, so far.