

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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GREEN REVOLUTION

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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has prepared an approach paper to bring a second green revolution in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up any committee of Chief Ministers on green revolution; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

(a) & (b): No specific approach paper has been prepared to bring a second green revolution in India. However, an approach paper in XI Plan 'Towards Faster and More Inclusive Growth' was prepared by Planning Commission which envisaged higher growth in Agriculture. For the XII Plan, a growth target of 4% has been set for the agriculture sector. The Centre has more than doubled its plan expenditure on agriculture and allied sectors during XII Plan.

(c) & (d): the Government has also taken several initiatives to increase the productivity and production in the areas which did not benefit from the Green Revolution. They include special attention to rainfed areas through Integrated Watershed Development Programme, Micro-Irrigation and National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture and in eastern India through a special programme under

"Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI)" which focuses on enhancing the production of rice and rice based cropping systems. In order to provide a momentum to the BGREI programme, a Committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Union Agriculture Minister along with Chief Ministers of Governments of Assam, Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal and representative of Planning Commission. The TORs of the Committee include developing strategic plans for improving agriculture production and productivity in the rice based cropping system of eastern India, recommending suitable initiatives for inter departmental policy and programmatic convergence for integrated delivery of inputs and services to farmers in eastern India as well as for technical and institutional support for marketing and procurement in the region recommending specific areas of strategic research on issues constraining agriculture production in the region, reviewing physical and financial progress of the programme, reviewing and recommending suitable monitoring structure for the programme, commissioning impact evaluation, etc.