

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL MISSION ON OILSEEDS AND OIL PALM
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched the National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the purpose;
- (c) whether the Government has taken an initiative to promote 60,000 pulse villages in rainfed areas for increasing crop productivity and strengthening market linkages; and
- (d) if so, the details along with the funds sanctioned thereunder?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. A National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) has been approved for XII Plan period which will be implemented during the remaining period of the Plan i.e. 2014-15 to 2017-18. An allocation of Rs.3507.00 crore has been made during the 12th Plan. The proposed NMOOP will consist of three Mini Mission (MM) i.e MM-I on Oilseeds, MM-II on Oil Palm and MM-III on Tree Borne Oilseeds.

(c) & (d): An amount of Rs.300 crores was provided under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) to organize sixty thousand "Pulses and Oilseeds Villages" in Rainfed areas to provide an integrated intervention of water harvesting, watershed management and soil health for enhancing the productivity of the dry land farming areas. During 2011-12 an amount of Rs. 300 crores was also provided under RKVY to organize programme of 60,000 Pulse Villages. This initiative was subsumed under NFSM-Pulses during 2012-13. For strengthening market linkages, a "National Demonstration Project for Promotion of Farmer Producer Organization (FPOs) and Value Chain Development of Pulses and Millets" for formation of 106 FPOs during the period of three years (2013-16) has been approved for implementation through SFAC with a sum of Rs.5000.00 lakhs.