

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3945
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BAN ON ARECANUT PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to ban cultivation and use of arecanut in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has taken into account the serious livelihood issues of a large number of arecanut growers in case of such a ban; and
- (d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to address their grievances?

Answer

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

- (a): There is no proposal to ban cultivation and use of arecanut in the country.
- (b) to (d): Does not arise in view of the above.