

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF FLOWERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken any scheme/ programme for encouraging the production of flowers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to revamp/ strengthen such mechanism; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) to (d): Yes Madam. The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation has been implementing Technology Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture in North Eastern States, Sikkim, Uttarakhand, Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh (TMNE) and National Horticulture Mission (NHM) in the remaining states of the country for the holistic development of horticulture. Under these scheme assistance is provided for various components aimed at increasing production and productivity along with post harvest management and marketing of horticultural crops including flowers. Besides, National Horticulture Board is also providing assistance under the scheme of 'Development of Commercial Horticulture through Production and Post Harvest Management', in which flowers are also covered.