

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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USE OF ORGANIC MANURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to promote the use of fertilisers containing micro nutrients and organic manure; and
(b) 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) & (b): The Government is already promoting the use of fertilizers containing micro nutrients and organic manure under the following schemes:-

- (i) Under the National Project on Management of soil Health and Fertility, assistance is provided for promotion of organic manures and micro nutrients @ Rs.500 per hectare.
- (ii) Under the National Project on Organic Farming, use of organic manure is promoted through training, demonstration and awareness programme. To increase availability of organic manure, 25% back ended subsidy is provided for establishment of fruit/vegetable waste compost units and vermi-culture hatcheries.
- (iii) Under National Horticulture Mission, to increase availability of organic manure, assistance is provided for setting up vermi-compost units.