## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:13 ANSWERED ON:21.07.2015 Rejuvenation of Coconut Plantation Kateel Shri Nalin Kumar

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal seeking financial assistance for rejuvenation of Ganoderma affected coconut plantations in Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to release the financial assistance in this regard to protect the coconut growers?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

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- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Coconut Development Board (CDB) has received a proposal from Government of Karnataka for financial assistance for rejuvenation of Ganoderma affected coconut plantations in Karnataka. The proposal covers an area of 9225 ha. requires financial assistance of Rs.51.33 crore.
- (c): CDB is implementing "Replanting and Rejuvenation of Coconut Gardens" with an objective to rejuvenate coconut plantations through cutting and removal of "root wilt" disease advanced and senile palms. However, the scheme does not have any component for management of Ganoderma disease of coconut.

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