GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3612 ANSWERED ON:11.08.2015 Production of Fruits and Vegetables Lekhi Smt. Meenakashi;Ramachandran Shri Krishnan Narayanasamy;Singh Shri Lallu

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India ranks second in the world in the production of fruits and vegetables;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the production of fruits and vegetables is adequate to meet the domestic demands, if so, the details of demand and production of fruits and vegetables during the last three years, State-wise;

(d) the details of quantum of fruits/ vegetables exported to foreign countries during the last two years, year-wise, category-wise; and

(e) whether the Government has initiated a scheme to increase the production of fruits and vegetables in various States of the country including Uttarakhand, if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The details of major fruits and vegetables producing countries in the world and India's position may be seen at Annexure-I.

(c): Yes, Madam. The details of demand and production of fruits and vegetables during the last three years may be seen at Annexure-II.

(d): The details of quantum of fruits and vegetables exported to foreign countries during the last two years are given at Annexure-III.

(e): To boost the production and productivity of vegetables and fruits in the country Government is implementing Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH) including Uttarakhand and National Horticulture Mission (NHM) in the remaining states under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH). These schemes provide support for production of planting material, high yield variety vegetable seed production, vegetable cultivation, rejuvenation of senile orchards, protected cultivation, creation of water resources, creation of infrastructure to prevent post harvest losses of horticultural crops and for adoption of Integrated Nutrient Management (INM)/Integrated Pest Management (IPM).