

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF BIO DIESEL
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the desired results in the farming of `Jatropha` plant have been achieved by the various States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the various steps taken by the Government for promotion of Jatropha farming?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) & (b): Department of Agriculture & Cooperation through National Oilseeds and Vegetable Oils Development (NOVOD) Board had undertaken plantation of Jatropha from 2003-04 to 2009-10. About 13,000 ha. in 22 States have been brought under Jatropha plantation. The State wise Jatropha plantation undertaken during 2003-04 to 2009-10, is annexed.

(c): Under the Mini Mission-III of National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) being implemented by the Department of Agriculture & Co-operation, support is provided for promotion of TBOs including Jatropha for integrated development of nurseries & plantation on new wasteland as well as in existing wasteland/degraded forest land, maintenance of TBOs plantation till gestation period, inter cropping, R&D, distribution of pre-processing, processing and oil extraction equipments through back ended subsidy, promotion of seed collections (through TRIFED), training of farmers etc.