GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:389 ANSWERED ON:21.04.2015 PRODUCTION OF QUALITY SEEDS S.R. Shri Vijay Kumar

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of seeds produced by various States in the country, crop-wise and State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the country is self sufficient in the production of quality seeds and is able to fully cater to the demand of domestic market;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to increase the domestic production of quality seeds?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 389 DUE FOR REPLY ON 21ST APRIL, 2015.

- (a) to (c): As reported by the States, the overall quantum of certified/quality seeds production in India for the year 2014-15 was 351.76 lakh quintals against a requirement of 343.55 lakh quintals and the country is thus self sufficient in seeds production. The crop-wise and State-wise details are at Annexure-I to Annexure III.
- (d): The production of certified/quality seeds in the country has increased from 140.51 lakh quintals in 2005-06 to 351.76 iakh quintals in 2014-15. For sustained increase in the production of quality seeds, the Government of India is assisting the State Governments and seed producing agencies in promotion of seed related activities under various programmes/schemes viz.
- i) National Food Security Mission (NFSM)
- ii) National Mission on Oilseeds and Oilpalm (NMOOP)
- iii) Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY)
- iv) Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)
- v) National Mission on Agriculture Extension and Technology (Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Materials).