GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1630 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6TH MARCH, 2018

BENEFITS OF MIDH

1630. SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) has proved beneficial to the farmers in Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the name of horticultural produce identified for production in Maharashtra and the action plan drawn up by the Government for their production on a large scale; and
- (c) the main benefits likely to accrue to the farmers under the Mission and the procedure to be followed to avail assistance thereunder?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

- (a): Yes, Madam. Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) has proved beneficial to the farmers in Maharashtra in terms of production and productivity of horticulture produce. Since inception of National Horticulture Mission (NHM) a sub-scheme of MIDH, the production of horticulture produce in Maharashtra has shown a significant rise from 17.82 million ton (2005-06) to 22.67 million ton (2016-17). The productivity has also increased from 8.09 MT/ha (2005-06) to 12.97 MT/ha (2016-17).
- (b): Diverse climatic condition prevailing in Maharashtra provide scope for cultivation and production of majority of fruits and vegetables crops indicated in Annexure-I.

The State has prepared a long term plan for promotion of horticulture produce based on demand from the farmers and Annual Action Plans (AAPs) are prepared and approved at start of each financial year based on the availability of budgetary resources. To facilitate production on a large scale – Centre of Excellence (CoE), Tissue Culture (TC) Labs, Area under protected cultivation, Agri Export Zones etc, are being promoted under MIDH.

(c): The mission is being implemented for holistic development of horticulture covering a broad spectrum of components from planting material to production, marketing and processing.

The farmers, entrepreneurs, institutions can seek assistance by approaching their respective Districts Horticulture office. The application received for project based and non-project based activities are processed as per delegation of powers delegated to various committees.

Horticulture produces identified for production in Maharashtra

Maharashtra			
Fruits	Vegetables	Flowers	Processed Products
Mango	Onion	Gerbera	Mango Pulp
Pomegranate	Tomato	Carnation	Cashew Nut
Mandarin	Green Chilly	Rose	Resins
Grapes	Potato	Marigold	Turmeric
Banana	Brinjal	Jasmine	Orange Juice
Sweet Orange	Okra	Gladiolus	Sweetlime Juice
Limes and Lemons	Cauliflower	Chrysanthemum	
Sapota	Leafy Vegetables	,	
Custard Apple	Cabbage		
Strawberry	Green Peas		
