

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

**LOK SABHA**  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4825  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY, 2019

**SUPPLY OF COCONUT SEEDLINGS**

4825. SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:  
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:  
DR. HEENA GAVIT:  
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:  
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that coconut seedlings are being produced through some private coconut nurseries;
- (b) whether the Government is supporting coconut nurseries in private sector by extending financial assistance under Coconut Development Board's scheme and if so, the quantum of funds and assistance provided during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the number of private coconut nurseries which are operating in the country especially in the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (d) whether the Government has any regulation to control them and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of regional coconut nurseries functioning in the country along with the achievement made by each regional coconut nursery?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b); Yes, Sir. The assistance provided during each of the last three years and the current year is as under:

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<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of units</b>	<b>Financial assistance (Rs. in lakhs)</b>
2016-17	22	9.59
2017-18	24	20.37
2018-19	7	8.05

During the current year, an amount of Rs.203.25 lakh is allocated for assisting small Coconut Nurseries in 9 States.

(c): A total of 120 no. of coconut nurseries by individuals or on community basis by Self Help Groups/Farmer Producers' Organizations have been assisted by Coconut Development Board (CDB) including 5 in the State of Tamil Nadu during the last five years i.e. from 2014-15 to 2018-19.

(d): The nurseries which are established as per the guidelines of the Board, are financially assisted by the CDB. Nurseries which adhere to the guidelines and which operate satisfactorily for a period of 5 years are considered for the accreditation programme of the CDB.

(e): The scheme 'Regional Coconut Nurseries' was operational in 36 farms of 8 States during last year for production of 7.30 lakh coconut seedlings. The State-wise details are annexed.

**State-wise details of Regional Coconut Nurseries, 2018-19.**

<b>State/UT</b>	<b>No. of farms</b>	<b>No. of seedlings (lakh no.)</b>
Tamil Nadu	15	4.00
Andhra Pradesh	1	1.00
Telangana	1	0.50
Maharashtra	3	1.00
Gujarat	1	0.50
Lakshadweep	4	0.10
Nagaland	10	0.10
Meghalaya	1	0.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>7.30</b>

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