

QUESTION DETAILS

MINISTRY OF : AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 3021

TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2019

Production of mangoes in the country

3021. Shri G.C. Chandrashekhar

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:-

- (a) the details of production of mangoes in various States, including Karnataka during last three years;
- (b) whether there is a decline in mango production in the country even though India is the largest producer of mangoes in the world, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is considering any proposal to provide assistance to the affected farmers, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Government has any scheme for setting up mango food processing units in Karnataka, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by Government to boost the production and export of mangoes of Karnataka?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): The details of production of Mangoes in various States, including Karnataka during the last three years, are at Annexure.

(b) & (c): As per the 2nd Advance Estimates of 2018-19, Mango production in the country is estimated to slightly decrease from 21.82 Million Tonnes in 2017-18 to 20.95 Million Tonnes in 2018-19. The decrease is estimated primarily due to decline in Mango production in the States of Karnataka, West Bengal, Bihar, Telangana and Maharashtra.

As of now, no proposal to provide assistance to affected Mango farmers has been received in this Ministry.
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(d): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) is implementing Scheme for Creation/Expansion of Food Processing and Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC) under Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA (Scheme for Agro-Marine Processing & Development of Agro-Processing Clusters) Yojana (PMKSY) for promotion of processing/ preservation of agro-food products including Mango Processing Units. Under this scheme in the country, 51 Units have been approved for Fruits and Vegetables, out of which 2 units are approved in Karnataka.

(e): Steps taken by the Government to boost production and export of Mango, including Mangoes of Karnataka, include:-

- Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) has been implemented w.e.f. 2014-15 for holistic growth of Horticulture sector. All States/UTs are covered under the Scheme. For improved production and productivity of horticulture crops, activities such as production of planting material, coverage of area with improved cultivars, rejuvenation of senile orchards, protected cultivation, creation of water resources, adoption of Integrated Pest Management (IPM), Integrated Nutrient Management (INM), organic farming are taken up. Assistance is also provided for establishment of infrastructure, relating to primary/mobile/minimal processing units.

- Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Ministry of Commerce and Industry provides financial assistance to its registered member exporters under the components of Infrastructure Development, Quality Development and Market Promotion. Besides, APEDA takes other initiatives to boost exports such as participation in National and International events, opening of new markets in different countries, Outreach Programmes, Buyer-Seller Meet etc.

- Indian Council of Agricultural Research – Central Institute for Sub-tropical Horticulture (ICAR-CISH) has developed protocol for export of Mango through sea route in collaboration with National Horticulture Board and has organized training and awareness programme on export promotion of Mango.

- The State Government of Karnataka has reported that:-

? It has initiated programme to rejuvenate the old and unproductive Mango orchards with assistance for improving quality production.

? The Mango Development & Marketing Corporation, Government of Karnataka organizes trainings/demonstrations/workshop on pre and post harvest technologies, provides assistance for pre and post harvest inputs, organizes Mango Melas, Mango picking tourism, online marketing of Mangoes etc. Besides, it has established APEDA/ National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) accredited Pack Houses with Hot Water Treatment, Cold Storage and Ripening Facility at Mango Development Centre at Madikere, Chikkabalapura district in the year 2018.

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