

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PROGRAMMES FOR INCREASING CROPS YIELD
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has chalked out any concrete programmes for increasing the crop yields keeping in view the increasing population of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b): In order to increase production and productivity of various crops to meet the requirement of increasing population of the country, Government of India is implementing various programmes/schemes such as Macro Management on Agriculture; Integrated Scheme on Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPOM); Technology Mission on Cotton; Integrated Development of Horticulture; National Project on Promotion of Organic Farming; Development and Strengthening of Infrastructure Facilities for Production and Distribution of Quality Seeds; Strengthening and Modernisation of Pest Management in Country; Promotion and Strengthening of Agricultural Mechanization through Training, Testing and Demonstrations; On-Farm Water Management for Increasing Crop Production in Eastern India; etc. In addition, schemes for development of irrigation infrastructure are also being implemented.

Besides, Indian Council of Agricultural Research is implementing various research programmes for increasing crop yields in the country through All India Coordinated Crop Improvement Projects.