

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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DEMAND OF PRAWN
Jagannath Dr. M.

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a great demand for tiger prawn abroad; and

(b) if so, the measures taken to train farmers on methods of producing high quality prawn and tap the increasing demand of prawn especially in Japan, U.K. and U.S. to boost exports?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Shrimp production is being increased through aquaculture under schemes of the Government. In order to promote the concept of sustainable shrimp farming among the farmers training programmes, workshops, farmers meets, campaigns, etc. are being conducted by the concerned agencies. Innovative farming methods are also being popularized to ensure disease free shrimp farming. Efforts are being made to improve the production from shrimp farms and as well as to improve the quality of the cultured shrimp to meet the increasing demand from international markets.