

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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SUBSIDY FOR JATROPHA FARMERS  
Bhakta Shri Manoranjan

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to provide subsidy and easy finance for Jatropha farmers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the States and Union Territories which have encouraged farmers to commercialize the cultivation of Jatropha plants for producing the Jatropha oil for Railways and Transport Diesel vehicles; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a)to(d): The National Oilseeds and Vegetable Oils Development (NOVOD) Board is the nodal agency for promoting Tree Borne Oilseeds including Jatropha. There is a programme for providing 30% back ended credit linked subsidy with 50% Institutional finance and 20% beneficiary share for rising nursery & commercial plantation, establishment of model seed procurement center and installation of pre-processing & processing facilities. Under the Central Sector Scheme `Integrated Development of Tree Borne Oilseeds` efforts are being made through back ended credit linked subsidy programme to popularize the cultivation of Jatropha plants for producing Jatropha Oil.