

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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SPECIFIC AREA CROP VARIETIES  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to promote `Specific area` crop varieties in various States of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the financial assistance made available to each State for implementation of this scheme during the last three years and current year?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Sir, there is no scheme on `Specific Area` crop varieties as such. However, assistance for distribution of quality seeds of improved varieties/hybrids relevant to the requirement of the farmers is provided to farmers under crop production oriented schemes under Macro Management Programme. Besides, the Technology Mission on Cotton and Integrated Scheme on Oilseeds, Pulses, Oilpalm and Maize (ISOPOM) is also under implementation for the promotion of various production technologies including high yielding varieties/hybrids.