

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION/ EXPORT OF FOODGRAINS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to provide required agricultural inputs to help increase production/export of foodgrains;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study in regard to production of foodgrains and export of agricultural products by the developed and developing countries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps proposed/taken to increase per hectare productivity in agriculture?

Answer

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

- (a): The Central Government interacts with the States and Union Territories on a regular and institutionalized basis to assess their requirements and support them under various schemes/programmes. Zonal Inputs Conferences and National Conference on Agriculture prior to the commencement of Kharif and Rabi seasons are also organized for this purpose.
- (b): No, Sir.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d): For increasing overall productivity of cereals under specific crop based systems, the Central Government has been implementing Integrated Cereals Development Programme under Macro Management of Agriculture. A separate Centrally sponsored Scheme viz., Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oilpalm and Maize (ISOPOM) is also under implementation for increasing productivity of these crops.