

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF PINEAPPLE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total production of pineapple recorded in the country at present, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Union Government proposes to formulate any scheme for increasing the production of pineapple; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): As per available information, the production of pineapple State-wise in the country is as under:

State Production in
 (`000 MTs)

1. West Bengal	320.6
2. Assam	220.7
3. Karnataka	118.2
4. Bihar	104.6
5. Kerala	95.0
6. Meghalaya	93.5
7. Tripura	91.7
8. Manipur	88.6
9. Arunachal Pradesh	35.6
10. Nagaland	24.8
11. Tamil Nadu	23.1
12. Others	17.8
Total	1234.2

(b) & (c): The Government of India is implementing various promotional schemes under the National Horticulture Mission, Technology Mission for development of horticulture for the North-Eastern States including hilly States of Jammu & Kashmir, Uttaranchal and Himachal Pradesh and Micro Irrigation to increase the production and productivity of horticultural crops including pineapple. The Government also implements back-ended capital investment subsidy upto 20% of the total project cost with a maximum limit of Rs.25 lakh per project and Rs.30 lakhs per project in case of North- Eastern/Tribal/Hilly Areas, for technically and financially viable projects for development of high-tech commercial production of horticultural crops including pineapple and post harvest management infrastructure.