

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:770  
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PRODUCTION OF GERANIUM HERB  
Bhakta Shri Manoranjan

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has provided assistance to the cultivators of Geranium Herb;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the production of said herb in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Technology Mission for integrated Development of Horticulture in North Eastern States, Sikkim, J&K, Himachal Pradesh & Uttaranchal, assistance @ Rs.5000/- per hectare is provided to the cultivators for growing of aromatic plants including geranium. In addition, assistance is also provided for establishment of herbal garden including geranium @ 3.00 lakh per unit for public sector & Rs.1.5 lakhs per unit for private sector, respectively.

(c): National Medicinal Plants Board has sanctioned projects under Promotional scheme for production of planting material, standardization of organics production, IEC and plantation of Geranium along with other plants. The assistance is also provided under Technology Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture in North Eastern States, Sikkim, J&K, Himachal Pradesh & Uttaranchal for production of geranium.