GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3335 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2011 PROMOTION OF HORTICULTURE Rana Shri Jagdish Singh

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the various schemes implemented particularly in backward areas of Uttar Pradesh for the promotion of horticulture plantation, fisheries etc. during the last three years till date locationwise;
- (b) whether the National Agriculture Research Council or any other institution has eveloped any new technique in these fields;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to provide information and incentive to the people engaged in this sector?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a): In Uttar Pradesh, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on National Horticulture Mission is being implemented for the promotion of horticulture in 45 Districts of State during the Eleventh Plan. The names of the Districts covered under NHM are given at Annexure-I (a). A Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Development of Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture is being implemented in Uttar Pradesh for the development of freshwater aquaculture through Fish Farming Development Agency during the Eleventh Plan. The names of the Districts covered under the scheme are given at Annexure-I(b).
- (b) & (c): The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) under its various ongoing research programmes has developed technologies for Horticulture and Fisheries sector. The details of the technologies developed are given at Annexure II.
- (d): To provide information and incentive to people engaged in the horticulture and fisheries sector, the steps taken by the Government include circulation of guidelines of the schemes and other relevant information to State Governments and various stakeholders. The guidelines are also placed on the web site of the Department for use of public. Besides, information is also provided through Kisan Call Centres and wide publicity about the programmes through advertisement in the print and electronic media, organizing workshops, seminars and training of farmers by the concerned Departments, Krishi Vigyan Kendras, Agriculture and Technology Management Agency (ATMA).