

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:223  
ANSWERED ON:09.12.2014  
PRODUCTION OF FRUITS  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there has been a bumper production of various fruits viz. apples, pomegranates, pineapples, mangoes and oranges in the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, fruit and State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the export potential of various fruits grown in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has implemented/proposes to implement schemes to strengthen the market access for fruits and vegetables in the country and if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 223 DUE FOR REPLY ON 9TH DECEMBER, 2014.

(a): Production of various fruits viz. apples, pomegranates, pineapples, mangoes and oranges in the country during the last three years is given at Annexure-I. The figures for 2014-15 will only be compiled at the end of the year.

(b): State/UT-wise details of production of fruits viz. apples, pomegranates, pineapples, mangoes and oranges for last three years is given at Annexures II – VI.

(c): The potential for export of banana, mango and grapes from India to the top 20 global import markets in the world (based on Comtrade data of year 2012), has been assessed, details of which are given at Annexure VII.

(d): Several measures have been taken to improve marketing of fruits and vegetables including issuing advisory to all States/UTs to deregulate fruits and vegetables from the purview of Agriculture Produce Market Committee (APMC), launching Kisan Mandi in Delhi to provide access to Farmer Producers' Organisations and Growers' Association to the huge consumer markets/demand of Delhi, and implementing Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) in the country which includes assistance for development of Postharvest Management and Marketing infrastructure. Details are given at Annexure VIII.