

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Uttar Pradesh	2	130	168	2		4	4
Uttanchal		27	7				
TOTAL:	10	382	792	9	3	18	4
Tamil Nadu		76	114			1	
Pondicherry		29	13				
Karnataka		21	22	2	1	4	1
Kerala	1	41	39				
A.P.		33	55	1		3	
TOTAL:	1	200	243	3	1	8	1
Assam		11	9				1
Bihar		10	12				
Jharkhand	3	24	30	1		1	1
Orissa	2	57	28				
West Bengal	4	43	70			3	2
Meghalaya		14	9				
TOTAL:	9	159	158	1	0	4	4

(Source: Joint Plant Committee)

Rejuvenation programme for pepper in Kerala

125. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL:

SHRI M.P. ACHUTHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved a rejuvenation programme for pepper in Kerala to be implemented by the Spices Board; and

(b) if so, the details of the scheme and what is the criteria adopted to identify the eligible planters for the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS):

(a) and (b) Yes, Madam. Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of "National Horticulture Mission", the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation has approved a Project for Pepper Development in Idukki District of Kerala to be implemented by Spices Board in close coordination with State Horticulture Mission, Kerala and Directorate of Spices and Arecanut, Kozhikode, Kerala. The project envisages replanting/rejuvenation of senile pepper plantations in

an area of 60,000 ha over a period of 5 years, at a total cost of Rs.230.58 crore with a Central subsidy of Rs.120.00 crore The component wise details of the project are given in the Statement (See below).

The eligibility criteria adopted to identify the beneficiaries under the scheme areas follows:

1. The planter should have minimum of 10 Nos. of pepper standards with 2 vines per standard.
2. The maximum number of pepper standards per beneficiary should be 1080 Nos. having 2 vines per standard, irrespective of size of the holding.
3. The plantation should maintain a minimum plant spacing of 2.5 M x 2.5 M.

Statement

Project for Pepper Development in Idukki District of Kerala

(Rs. in Crore)

Components	Total Project cost (5 years)	Financial assistance Under NHM (5 years)
A. Production of planting material- Establishing of Small nursery units (300 Nos.-1 Ha each private sector)	9.00	4.50
B. Replanting/Rejuvenation of senile plantations-(60,000 ha)	180.00	90.00
C. Organic farming — construction of Vermi Compost units (3680 units)	22.08	11.00
D. Promotion of IPM — 50000 ha	10.00	5.00
E. HRD — Training for planting material production, GAP etc.	1.00	1.00
G. Functional Infrastructure	2.50	2.50
H. Implementation Cost	6.00	6.00
TOTAL :	230.58	120.00

Harvesting process under crop insurance

†126. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Rajasthan has sought any suggestion and advice and had

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.