

of various agriculture commodities in the country before each five year plan. Demand projections relate to dynamics of population and their consumption over time and space. Supply projections are sourced based on domestic production and import. Keeping in view the demand assessment made by the Planning Commission, Ministry of Agriculture fixes annual crop production targets based on the past trend of production, the demand as reflected by increased and decreased prices both in domestic and global market, potential of commodity and anticipated rainfall, weather situation etc.

(b) Department of Agriculture and Cooperation has implementing a number of crop development Schemes and Programmes such as National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Integrated Scheme of Oilseed, Pulses, Maize and Oil Palm (ISOPOM), National Horticulture Mission (NHM), Mini Mission-II of Technology Mission on Cotton and Jute, Macro Management of Agriculture, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Green Revolution in Eastern India etc. for increasing agriculture production to cater to the rising food requirement.

Setting up of mango research centre

2488. SHRI BHARATSINH PRABHATSINH PARMAR:
SHRI PARSHOTTAM KHODABHAI RUPALA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the action taken by Government on project proposal of Navsari Krishi University for setting up Mango Research Centre at Pariya for development of various variety of mangoes;

(b) whether Government will consider the above proposal in coming Five Year Plan;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the action taken by Government to shape out separate Board for mangoes; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) On enquiry with Navsari Agricultural University, Gujarat dated 20/04/2012; they have informed that a proposal on "Setting up Mango Research Centre" at Pariya was submitted to Govt. of Gujarat, Agriculture and Cooperation Department on 11th January, 2011, for onward transmission to the Indian Council of Agricultural Research.

(b) and (c) Indian Council of Agricultural Research has already established a centre on mango research at Pariya under All India Coordinated Research Centre on Sub-tropical fruits, which is functioning since 1988 and has done appreciable works

for conservation of genetic resources, development of cultivars and technologies for the region. There is no proposal at present to establish a new centre on mango at Pariya.

(d) There is no proposal under consideration at present to set up a separate Board for mangoes.

(e) Does not arise.

Review of policy to ensure agricultural profit

2489. SHRIMATI KUSUM RAI:

SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the recent report of Government, daily earning of more than 65 per cent of farmer's family in the country is less than Rs. 20;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the reaction of Government thereto;

(d) whether Government would take fresh steps to ensure comfortable profit in agricultural profession and review the agricultural policy in light of above facts;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) and (b) The National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) conducted the Situation Assessment survey of Farmers during 2003 in the rural areas collecting information, *inter alia*, on receipts and expenses relating to cultivation, farming of animals, non-farm business and wages. The average monthly income per farmer household at all India level during the year 2002-03 was Rs. 2115. The average monthly income per farmer household by source in each of the major States during 2002-03 is given in Statement (*See below*)

(c) to (f) With a view to increase the production, productivity and income of the farming sector, Government is implementing through State Governments the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), National Food Security Mission (NFSM), National Horticulture Mission (NHM), Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses and Maize (ISOPOM), besides others. Under these schemes emphasis is given to easy and reliable access to inputs such as quality seeds, fertilizers, pesticides, irrigation, suitable technology, extension services, support infrastructure and innovative marketing system. Further, to ensure remunerative price, Government announces Minimum Support Price (MSP) for agricultural commodities every year. National Policy for Farmers, 2007 also has provisions to improve economic viability of