Written Answers to		[22 M	[22 March, 2013]		Unstarred Question	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
14	Madhya Pradesh			40.53		0
15	Maharashtra	168.92		182.10	310.48	0
16	Manipur		5.45	0.91		0
17	Meghalaya			0.00		0
18	Mizoram	8.81	49.60	0.00	4.566	0
19	Nagaland			8.47	0	
20	Odisha		98.87	0.00	560.17	678.65
21	Punjab			0.00		0
22	Rajasthan	0.34		115.12		0
23	Sikkim		8.36	0.00		200.38
24	Tamil Nadu		522.51	0.00	317.17	523.98
25	Tripura			0.00		0
26	Uttar Pradesh			148.96	554.26	189.69
27	Uttarakhand			0.00	517.66	0
28	West Bengal			166.87	704.85	0
0.0	Total	373.38	2279.92	3261.52	4179.25	2458.92

^{**} Renamed as NDRF from 2010-11.

(Source: Dept. of Expenditure, Min. of Finance, Govt. of India).

Horticulture technology mission in floriculture

2799. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of Horticulture Technology Mission in Floriculture;
- (b) whether this technology has helped in a great measure to the farmers of North East region;

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if so, the details thereof;

- (d) the status of the above Mission in Odisha region;
- (e) how far has it helped in production of cash crops and fruits in NE and other States of the country, and
 - (f) the status of export of flowers from NE region to other countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR): (a) to (f) The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation implements two schemes *viz.* (i) Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH) and (ii) National Horticulture Mission (NHM) under which assistance is provided for development of horticulture including floriculture. As per the latest estimates, the total area covered under floriculture in the country including North Eastern Region and Odisha is 2.72 lakh ha. with production of 16.77 lakh tones of loose flowers and 7541 million cut flowers.

These Missions have helped the farmers in adoption of improved production systems to ensure better returns per unit area. This has also helped in improving the production of cash crops like tomato, capsicum, potato, roses, orchids, anthurium, gerbera, carnations, tulip, lilium and fruits like apple, banana, mandarin, kiwi, grape, strawberry, etc. The production of horticulture crops in the country has increased from 146 million tonnes in 2001-02 to 257.27 million tonnes in 2011-12. The estimated production of horticulture crops during 2012-13 is 265.88 million tones.

Under NHM, an additional area of 6804 ha has been brought under floriculture in Odisha during last three years. Detail of fund released for area expansion of flowers in Odisha is as under:

Year	Rs. in lakh
2009-10	739.33
2010-11	182.32
2011-12	460.70
2012-13	182.49

During 2012-13, 21325 metric tonnes of flowers have been exported from the country including North East Region.

Training programmes on seed production and seed technologies

2800. DR. NAJMA A. HEPTULLA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether training programmes on seed production and seed technologies for farmers are organized by Government throughout the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the number of farmers including women farmers benefited under the scheme during the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Madhya Pradesh; and
- (d) the details of the financial assistance provided and utilized by the States for conduction of such training programmers during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR): (a) to (d) Government organises training programmes for farmers on Seed Production and Seed Technologies under the Seed Village Programme. Trainings are imparted in different stages of crop growth. The State-wise details of training including Madhya Pradesh, the funds released and number of farmers including women farmers benefited under Seed Village Programme during the last three years and current year are given in Statement (See below).