Production of pulses and oilseeds

3012. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether Government has made a fresh request to State Governments including North-Eastern States to grow pulses and palm oilseeds, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the production targets set by Government in this regard for 2014 and 2015, State-wise:
- (c) whether Government proposes to give incentives to States and farmers to encourage them to maximize production of pulses and oilseeds, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the value of foreign exchange likely to be saved by Government as a result of increase in production of pulses and oilseeds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJIBHAI KUNDARIYA): (a) Yes, Sir. Government of India has approved Annual Action Plans (AAPs) of 27 States including North-Eastern States under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) for promotion of pulses with a total allocation of ₹ 1309.77 crores during 2014-15.

In order to enhance the production and productivity of oilseeds, AAPs of 23 States including North-Eastern States has been approved with a total allocation of ₹ 326.80 crores under Mini Mission-I (MM-I) of National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) during 2014-15.

AAPs of 14 States including North-Eastern States has approved with a total amount of ₹ 76.41 crores for promotion of oil palm cultivation under Mini Mission-II (MM-II) of NMOOP during 2014-15.

The AAPs of North-Eastern States for MM-I and MM-II of NMOOP were revised with increased allocation.

- (b) The State-wise details of production targets of pulses, oilseeds and area expansion targets of oil palm, fixed by the Government of India during 2014-15 are given in Statement (See below).
- (c) In order to encourage farmers to take up cultivation of pulses and oilseeds, financial support is provided for various interventions. Under NFSM, support is provided

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for interventions like block demonstrations, distribution of quality seeds, integrated nutrient management, integrated pest management, sprinkler sets and pipes, farm machinery and implements, etc.

Under NMOOP, financial support is provided for interventions like production and distribution of foundation, certified seeds of oilseeds crops, supply of minikits, block demonstrations, farmers field school, supply of improved farm machinery and implements, sprinkler sets and pipes, bio-agents and bio-fertilizers etc.

(d) Additional production of 19.80 lakhs tonnes pulses and 28.04 lakhs tonnes oilseeds have been targeted during 2014-15 over the average production during 2009-10 to 2013-14. There would be likely saving of foreign exchange of around ₹ 8,000 crores and ₹ 10,000 crores if targeted additional production of pulses and oilseeds respectively is achieved.

Statement								
Sl. No. State		Production Targets (lakhs tonnes) during 2014-15		New Oil Palm Area Expansion Targets (ha.) during 2014-15				
		Pulses	Oilseeds					
1	2	3	4	5				
1.	Andhra Pradesh	15.50	11.97	14000				
2.	Assam	0.80	1.63	1000				
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	-	-	1600				
4.	Bihar	5.50	1.33	-				
5.	Chhattisgarh	6.58	1.93	250				
6.	Gujarat	6.80	65.69	450				
7.	Haryana	2.30	10.05	-				
8.	Himachal Pradesh	0.35	-	-				
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	0.22	0.60	-				
10.	Jharkhand	6.25	1.65	-				
11.	Karnataka	14.30	12.75	3100				
12.	Kerala	0.13	-	500				

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1	2	3	4	5	
13.	Madhya Pradesh	48.50	66.79	-	
14.	Maharashtra	30.00	52.50	-	
15.	Meghalaya	-	-	1000	
16.	Mizoram	-	-	4000	
17.	Nagaland	-	0.40	1500	
18.	Odisha	4.30	1.99	3000	
19.	Punjab	0.20	0.76	-	
20.	Rajasthan	23.00	59.84	-	
21.	Tamil Nadu	3.15	7.87	1800	
22.	Telangana	-	5.27	2000	
23.	Tripura	-	0.09	-	
24.	Uttarakhand	0.62	-	-	
25.	Uttar Pradesh	21.50	9.91	-	
26.	West Bengal	1.90	9.34	550	
	Others	3.10	7.64	0	
	Total	195.00	330.00	34750	

Production of groundnut in Gujarat

3013. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the production of groundnut in Gujarat during the last four years, year-wise;
- (b) how it compares with its neighbouring States growing groundnut; and
- (c) the incentives being given by Government to the growers of groundnut of the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJIBHAI KUNDARIYA): (a) and (b) Details of production of groundnut in Gujarat and its neighbouring States namely; Maharashtra and Rajasthan during the last four years, *i.e.*, 2010-11 to 2013-14 are as under: