

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has standardized low cost net house and poly houses for cultivation of important high value vegetable crops like green and coloured capsicum, English cucumber, bottle gourd, brinjal and tomato which are being disseminated to the farming community. These protected structures are good for off-season production, help in improvement of yield by 65-80%, improve quality and protect from insects and diseases.

#### **Recommendations of Task Force on Agriculture**

1459. SHRI A.W. RABI BERNARD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether NITI Ayog's Task Force on Agriculture has recommended reforms to address the sensitive issue of frequent spurt in crop prices, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether these recommendations include guaranteed prices for at least half of the key crops, setting up of a unified national agriculture market, changing land lease laws etc., if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether these recommendations will make agriculture more efficient so that the country can produce enough with lesser land as the country is working for another Green Revolution, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN): (a) As reported by NITI Aayog, the report of the Task Force on Agricultural Development has not been finalized.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

#### **Benefits of subsidy to farmers**

†1460. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of subsidy and the respective heads under which subsidy was provided by Government to farmers in the preceding financial year, State-wise; and

(b) whether Government is aware that the full benefit of the subsidy does not reach to farmers, if so, whether Government is contemplating any measures for it, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN): (a) Agriculture is a