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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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NATIONAL MISSION ON PRODUCTION OF EDIBLE OIL

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether government is implementing any national mission to become self-sufficient in the production of edible oils;
- (b) if so, the edible oils covered under this nation mission;
- (c) whether there are any possibilities for production of palm oil in the country;
- (d) if so, percentage of land where palm is being produced in the country at present;
- (e) whether there are any possibilities of production of palm oil in Uttar Pradesh; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) & (b): Yes, the government is implementing the National Mission on Edible Oils – Oilseeds (NMEO-OS), which focuses on edible oils derived from primary sources i.e. Rapseed-Mustard, Groundnut, Soybean, Sunflower, Sesame, Niger & Safflower as well as secondary sources like Cottonseed, Rice bran, Corn, Coconut based oils and Tree-borne oils. Additionally, the National Mission on Edible Oils – Oil Palm (NMEO-OP) aims to boost palm oil production by promoting oil palm cultivation. Together, these missions aims to strive towards self sufficiency in edible oil production.

(c) to (f): In the year 2020, a committee of Indian Council of Agricultural Research-Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research has assessed around 28.00 lakh hectares potential area of oil palm cultivation across the country including an area of 48,663 ha. in Uttar Pradesh. Currently, 5.10 lakh hectares across 15 states are under oil palm cultivation.
