

1. RTI request DOA&C/R/E/25/00589/1 dated 8-4-2025 S.N.1 (R)

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RTI REQUEST DETAILS (आरटीआई अनुरोध विवरण)	
Registration Number (पंजीकरण संख्या) :	DOA&C/R/E/25/00589/1
Date of Receipt (प्राप्ति की तारीख) :	08/04/2025
Type of Receipt (रसीद का प्रकार) :	Online Receipt
Language of Request (अनुरोध की भाषा) :	English

Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person? (क्या यह किसी व्यक्ति के जीवन अथवा स्वतंत्रता से संबंधित है?) :	No(Normal)
Request Pertains to (अनुरोध निम्नलिखित संबंधित है) :	Arnab Dhaiki, DS (DM)
Information Sought (जानकारी मांगी):	Farmer Income Discrepancies: a. What mechanisms are in place to monitor discrepancies in farmer earnings across different states and crops? b. Has any assessment or audit been conducted on farmer income inequality in the last five years? Please provide reports, if available. Crop Monitoring and Yield Prediction: a. Is there any centralized system for real-time crop monitoring and accurate yield prediction in India? b. If yes, please provide details of the technology and data used. Market Price Imbalance: a. What systems are in place to track demand-supply data across mandis to regulate market pricing? b. Has any study been done to assess its impact on farmer income?

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- How many farmers currently have access to APMC-regulated markets?
- What efforts have been made to increase accessibility to these markets?

Government Funds Monitoring:

- What processes ensure the proper utilization and monitoring of funds disbursed under farmer welfare schemes?
- Are there any digital platforms or dashboards available for public review?

Transparency in Farmer-to-Buyer Transactions:

- Are there policies or technologies in place to ensure transparency in direct farmer-to-buyer transactions?

Disaster Response and Relief:

- What is the average response time for disaster-related relief distribution to affected farmers?
- What systems are in place to verify and monitor the disbursement?

Digital Literacy and Smart Farming Adoption:

- What programs exist to improve digital literacy and adoption of smart farming technologies?
- What is the current farmer enrollment and outreach status?

Data Integration Across Departments:

- Is there a unified system or platform that integrates farmer data from various departments (land, finance, irrigation, crop, etc.)?
- If not, are there any plans for such integration?

Scheme Eligibility Verification:

- What methods are used to verify farmer eligibility across multiple government schemes?
- Is there a centralized KYC-like mechanism?

Monitoring of Farmer Progress:

- Are there performance monitoring systems for individual farmers to track productivity improvements?

Communication of Policy Updates:

- How are important government policy updates communicated to farmers, especially in remote areas?

Incentive Structures:

- Are there performance-based incentive schemes for farmers? If yes, provide details.

International Trade Insights:

- Are there data-driven tools or insights used for decision-making in agriculture-related international trade?

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1. **Reply** RTI request DOA&C/R/E/25/00589/1 dated 8-4-2025

	भारत सरकार Government of India सुपारी और मसाला विकास निदेशालय Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय /Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण विभाग) (Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare) कोलिकट /Calicut 673 005 केरल /Kerala
File No. 33-06/2025-Gen To	Date : 19-05-2025
Sir,	
With reference to your RTI request No.DOA&C/R/E/25/00589/1 dated 08-04-2025, it is to inform that the queries in the above RTI request do not pertain to this Directorate and hence the requisite information may be treated as NIL. In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within Thirty days from the date of receipt of this letter.	
Dr.Homey Cheriyan, FAA & Director, Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India, West Hill Post – 673005,Kozhikode, Kerala. Phone: 0495 2765501.	
Yours faithfully,  (Babulal Meena) CPIO & Deputy Director, Phone : 0495 2369877 Email : spicedte@nic.in	
Copy to : Dr. N. K. Patle, Additional Commissioner & CPIO, Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Deptt. of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi 110 001. Shri Dinesh, Under Secretary (Hort Tech), Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Deptt. of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi 110 001.	
Telephone: Office - 0495- 2369877, Director - 2765501, 2742888 (R)	

2. RTI request No.DOA&C/R/E/25/00670 dated 24-04-2025 S.No.2 (R)

RTI REQUEST DETAILS (आरटीआई अनुरोध विवरण)	
Registration Number (पंजीकरण संख्या) :	DOA&C/R/E/25/00670
Date of Receipt (प्राप्ति की तारीख) :	24/04/2025
Type of Receipt (रसीद का प्रकार) :	Online Receipt
Language of Request (अनुरोध की भाषा) :	English
Status (स्थिति) (Rural/Urban) :	Rural
Education Status :	Above Graduate
Is Requester Below Poverty Line ? (क्या आवेदक गरीबी रेखा से नीचे का है?) :	No
Citizenship Status (नागरिकता)	Indian
Amount Paid (राशि का भुगतान) :	10) (original recipient)
Mode of Payment (भुगतान का प्रकार)	Payment Gateway
Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person? (क्या यह किसी व्यक्ति के जीवन अथवा स्वतंत्रता से संबंधित है?) :	No(Normal)
Request Pertains to (अनुरोध निम्नलिखित संबंधित है) :	Dr. N.K. Patle, ADC (Hort-Tech)
Information Sought (जानकारी मांगी):	1. What are the subsidies or financial assistance programs available for Arecanut (Betal nut) farmers in Karnataka? 2. what are the government plans on arecanut export and marketing. 3.what research and development initiatives are being undertaken by government for arecanut. 4.what are the statistics on arecanut production, yield, & export and import data for the past 5 years.

Reply for RTI Query 2 S.No:2 (R)



भारत सरकार
Government of India
सुपारी और मसाला विकास निदेशालय
Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development
कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय / Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
(कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण विभाग)
(Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare)
कोलिकट / Calicut 673 005 केरल / Kerala

File No. 33-06/2025-Gen

Date : 19-05-2025

To

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request No.DOA&C/R/E/25/00670 dated 24-04-2025 the requisite information is as under :

1. What are the subsidies or financial assistance programs available for Arecanut (Betelnut) farmers in Karnataka?

Ans: The Directorate does not have any subsidies or financial assistance programs for Arecanut.

2. What are the Government plans on Arecanut export and marketing?

Ans: The Directorate does not involve directly any export and marketing activities of Arecanut.

3. What are research and development initiatives are being undertaken by government for arecanut?

Ans: The Directorate does not undertake any research programmes in arecanut. However, the directorate looks after the developmental aspects of Arecanut in the country. At present the directorate implements certain demonstration programmes on important management measures in the arecanut, which are given below:

- Promoting technology of multi-species cropping in arecanut gardens through establishing frontline demonstration plots and conducting training programmes.
- Demonstrating the effect of the new fungicide Mandipropamid, in management of fruit rot in selected areas of Kerala and Karnataka.
- Frontline demonstration plots are being established to popularize the use of EPN (Entomopathogenic Nematode) in management of root grubs in Arecanut.
- Demonstration of Arecanut Dwarf Hybrids to promote its advantages among progressive farmers.

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The Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Directorate (DASD), in association with ICAR-CPCRI and UAHS, Shivamogga, is implementing a demonstration on community-based management of leaf spot disease in arecanut across ten LSD-affected arecanut-growing taluks in Karnataka. This program covers 50 ha, with 5 ha in each taluk, aiming to popularize the NSC's recommended scientific management measures. Also, DASD along with CPCRI are implementing a project titled, "Evidence Based Research on Arecanut and Human Health" coordinating around 16 national / state level agencies dealing with Medical Research including AIIMS, CCMB, IISc, etc. to make a detailed research on effect of arecanut on human health.

4. What are the statistics on arecanut production yields and export and import data for the past 5 years?

Area, production and yield of Arecanut in India

Year	Area ('000 ha)	Production ('000 tonnes)	Yield (kg/ha)
2019-20	731.652	1352.839	1849
2020-21	793.705	1559.754	1965
2021-22	849.329	1666.112	1962
2022-23	938.156	1368.939	1459
2023-24	949.403	1410.966	1486

Import and export of Arecanut in India

Year	Import		Export	
	Quantity (tonnes)	Value (Rs in lakhs)	Quantity (tonnes)	Value (Rs in lakhs)
2019-20	16761	34257	2640	6987
2020-21	23988	50859	3196	8591
2021-22	25979	67408	6063	15826
2022-23	73983	205134	13765	48505
2023-24	39443	122512	10637	40013

Source: Dept of Commerce, Govt of India

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within Thirty days from the date of receipt of this letter.

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FAA & Director,
Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development,
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare,
Government of India, West Hill Post – 673005, Kozhikode, Kerala.
Phone: 0495 2765501.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy to : Dr. N. K. Patle, Additional Commissioner & CPIO, Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Deptt. of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi 110 001.

3. RTI Request No. DOASD/R/E/25/00008 dated 7-5-2025

I am seeking the following information under the Right to Information Act, 2005, pertaining to the implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-Kisan) scheme in the state of Jharkhand: 1. Total number of farmers in Jharkhand who have registered under the PM-Kisan scheme but whose applications are pending approval. Duration (in months) these applications have been pending. 2. Number of applications rejected after enrollment under the PM-Kisan scheme in Jharkhand. what are the common reason of rejection 3. Number of farmers whose benefits under the PM-Kisan scheme have been discontinued in Jharkhand. 4. District-wise breakup of pending, rejected, and discontinued applications/beneficiaries under the PM-Kisan scheme in Jharkhand.

Reply :

Subject : Request for information under RTI Act, 2005

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request No: DOASD/R/E/25/00008 dated 07-05-2025, it is to inform that Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-Kisan) Scheme is not implemented by this Directorate, hence could not provide any information on the query.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within Thirty days from the date of receipt of this letter.

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Reply for 4 :

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F.No. 33-06/2025-Gen	Dated the 28 th May, 2025
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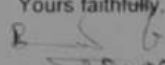
വിഷയം: RTI നിയമം, 2005 പ്രകാരം വിവരങ്ങൾക്കുള്ള അപേക്ഷ

സർ,

താങ്കളുടെ 07-05-2025 തീയതിയിലുള്ള RTI അപേക്ഷയെക്കുറിച്ച് പറയാനുള്ളത്, പൊതുതാൽപ്പര്യം ഉൾപ്പെടാത്തതിനാൽ, വിവരാവകാശ നിയമത്തിലെ റൂൾ 8 (1) H & J, (2) എന്നീ വകുപ്പുകൾ പ്രകാരം വിവരം നിഷേധിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു.

വിവരങ്ങൾ സംബന്ധിച്ച് അപ്പീൽ പോകാൻ താങ്കൾ ആഗ്രഹിക്കുന്നുവെങ്കിൽ, ഈ കത്ത് ലഭിച്ച് മൂപ്പത് ദിവസത്തിനുള്ളിൽ താഴെ പറയുന്ന അപ്പേലേറ്റ് അതോറിറ്റിയെ സമീപിക്കാവുന്നതാണ്.

Dr.Homey Cheriyan,
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(c) information, the disclosure of which would cause a breach of privilege of Parliament or the State Legislature;

(d) information including commercial confidence, trade secrets or intellectual property, the disclosure of which would harm the competitive position of a third party, unless the competent authority is satisfied that larger public interest warrants the disclosure of such information;

(e) information available to a person in his fiduciary relationship, unless the competent authority is satisfied that the larger public interest warrants the disclosure of such information;

(f) information received in confidence from foreign Government;

(g) information, the disclosure of which would endanger the life or physical safety of any person or identify the source of information or assistance given in confidence for law enforcement or security purposes;

✓ (h) information which would impede the process of investigation or apprehension or prosecution of offenders;

(i) cabinet papers including records of deliberations of the Council of Ministers, Secretaries and other officers;

Provided that the decisions of Council of Ministers, the reasons thereof, and the material on the basis of which the decisions were taken shall be made public after the decision has been taken, and the matter is complete, or over:

Provided further that those matters which come under the exemptions specified in this section shall not be disclosed.

✓ (j) information which relates to personal information the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest, or which would cause unwarranted invasion of the privacy of the individual unless the Central Public Information Officer or the State Public Information Officer or the appellate authority, as the case may be, is satisfied that the larger public interest justifies the disclosure of such information:

Provided that the information which cannot be denied to the Parliament or a State Legislature shall not be denied to any person.

✓ (2) Notwithstanding anything in the Official Secrets Act, 1923 nor any of the exemptions permissible in accordance with sub-section (1), a public authority may allow access to information, if public interest in disclosure outweighs the harm to the protected interests.

(3) Subject to the provisions of clauses (a), (c) and (i) of sub-section (1), any information relating to any occurrence, event or matter which has taken place, occurred or happened twenty years before the date on which any request is made under section 6 shall be provided to any person making a request under that section:

Provided that where any question arises as to the date from which the said period of twenty years has to be computed, the decision of the Central Government shall be final, subject to the usual appeals provided for in this Act.

to arrive at the amount in accordance with fee prescribed under sub-section (f), requesting him to deposit that fees, and the period intervening between the despatch of the said intimation and payment of fees shall be excluded for the purpose of calculating the period of thirty days referred to in that sub-section;

- (b) information concerning his or her right with respect to review the decision as to the amount of fees charged or the form of access provided, including the particulars of the appellate authority, time limit, process and any other forms.

(4) Where access to the record or a part thereof is required to be provided under this Act and the person to whom access is to be provided is sensorily disabled, the Central Public Information Officer or State Public Information Officer, as the case may be, shall provide assistance to enable access to the information, including providing such assistance as may be appropriate for the inspection.

(5) Where access to information is to be provided in the printed or in any electronic format, the applicant shall, subject to the provisions of sub-section (6), pay such fee as may be prescribed:

Provided that the fee prescribed under sub-section (f) of section 6 and sub-sections (f) and (5) of section 7 shall be reasonable and no such fee shall be charged from the persons who are of below poverty line as may be determined by the appropriate Government.

(6) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (5), the person making request for the information shall be provided the information free of charge where a public authority fails to comply with the time limits specified in sub-section (f).

(7) Before taking any decision under sub-section (f), the Central Public Information Officer or State Public Information Officer, as the case may be, shall take into consideration the representation made by a third party under section 11.

(f) Where a request has been rejected under sub-section (f), the Central Public Information Officer or State Public Information Officer, as the case may be, shall communicate to the person making the request,—

- (i) the reasons for such rejection;
- (ii) the period within which an appeal against such rejection may be preferred; and
- (iii) the particulars of the appellate authority.

(9) As information shall ordinarily be provided in the form in which it is sought unless it would disproportionately divert the resources of the public authority or would be detrimental to the safety or preservation of the record in question.

✓ 1. (7) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, there shall be no obligation to give any citizen,—

(a) information, disclosure of which would prejudicially affect the sovereignty and integrity of India, the security, strategic, scientific or economic interests of the State, relation with foreign State or lead to incitement of an offence;

(b) information which has been expressly forbidden to be published by any court of law or tribunal or the disclosure of which may constitute contempt of court.

Exemption from disclosure of information.

No. 5 RTI query directly addressed to Directorate S.No. 8 (R)

Spices Development Office, Kozhikode]

To
The Public Information Officer
Directorate of Areacanut & Spices Development Office
Kozhikode

Sir,

I am writing to request informations and copies of documents under the Right to Information Act 2005. The information I am seeking with regard to petitions and request filed by ~~Mr. Pradeep Kumar, P.O. No. 12345, Kozhikode~~ before the Public Information Officer, Directorate of Areacanut & Spices Development Office, Kozhikode and to get the replies given by this office to petitions and request made by ~~Mr. Pradeep Kumar, P.O. No. 12345, Kozhikode~~.

1. How many petitions or requests have sent to this office from January 2022 to ^{9th May} 2025 by ~~Mr. Pradeep Kumar, P.O. No. 12345, Kozhikode~~?

2. Has this office replied to all their requests?

3. Please provide me certified true copies of requests and petitions given by ~~Mr. Pradeep Kumar, P.O. No. 12345, Kozhikode~~ to this office

4. Please provide me certified copies of replies of this office on the petitions and requests given by ~~Mr. Pradeep Kumar, P.O. No. 12345, Kozhikode~~.

Please provide the informations within the stipulated period of 30 days.

Kindly see the attachment copy.

Thanking you

Yours Sincerely,

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Reply for 5 : S. No. 9(I)

Subject :Request for information under RTI Act, 2005

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request dated 09-05-2025, it is to inform that your RTI request was on Rs.10/- court fee stamp which is not an acceptable mode of payment under the RTI Act. Payment may be made by cash or Indian Postal Order payable to the Accounts Officer of the Public Authority.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

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FAA & Director,
Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development,
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare,
Government of India, West Hill Post – 673005, Kozhikode, Kerala.
Phone: 0495 2765501.

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ISSUED

Handwritten signature and date 28/5/25

Yours faithfully,

Handwritten signature and date 28.05.25

(Babulal Meena)
CPIO & Deputy Director,
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No.6 RTI Query : Directly received by the Directorate S. No. 11 (R)

Directorate of Arecanut & Spices Development
Kozhikode - 673 005

To:
The Public Information Officer
Directorate of Arecanut & Spices Development Office
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
West Hill Post, Kozhikode - 673 005
Kerala

Subject: Resubmission of RTI Application with Correct Fee Payment

Respected Sir/Madam,

I am writing to resubmit my Right to Information (RTI) application originally dated 09-05-2025. I had earlier submitted the application with a ₹30/- court fee stamp, which I have now come to know is not an acceptable mode of payment under the RTI Act, 2005. As advised in your letter dated 28-05-2025 (S.No. 33-06/2025-GOI), I am enclosing an Indian Postal Order (IPO) of ₹30/- payable to the Accounts Officer of your office.

The information I am seeking is with regard to petitions and requests filed by NIP Foundation, Kozhikode, before the Public Information Officer, Directorate of Arecanut & Spices Development Office, Kozhikode. I kindly request the following information and documents:

1. How many petitions or RTI requests have been sent to your office from January 2022 to May 2025 by NIP Foundation?
2. Has your office replied to all their requests?
3. Please provide me with certified true copies of all requests and petitions submitted by NIP Foundation to your office during the mentioned period.
4. Please provide me with certified copies of all replies issued by your office in response to the above petitions and requests.

I kindly request you to provide the above information as soon as possible, in accordance with the RTI Act, 2005.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely,

6 Reply S.No.12 (I)

Directorate of Arecanut & Spices Development
Kozhikode 673 571

Subject :Request for information under RTI Act, 2005

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request dated 29th May, 2025, it is to inform that the information is denied under Rule 8 (1) H & J and (2) of Right to Information Act, 2005.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

Dr.Homey Cheriyan,
FAA & Director,
Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development,
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare,
Government of India, West Hill Post – 673005, Kozhikode, Kerala.
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Yours faithfully,
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വിനോദസഞ്ചാരം 2005 പ്രകാരം വാണിജ്യബീജ വികസന പദ്ധതിക്ക് അനുബന്ധമായി
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Reply for 7 :



വിഷയം: RTI നിയമം, 2005 പ്രകാരം വിവരങ്ങൾക്കുള്ള അപേക്ഷ

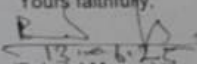
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താങ്കളുടെ 29-05-2025 തീയതിയിലുള്ള നിങ്ങളുടെ RTI അഭ്യർത്ഥനയെ തുടർന്ന് അറിയിക്കുന്നതു യഥാ. 1 മുതൽ 4 വരെ ഉള്ള പോയിന്റുകൾ സംബന്ധിച്ച വിവരങ്ങൾ RTI ആക്ട് 2005 ന്റെ Rule 8 (1) (H) & (J) ഉം Rule 8 (2) ഉം പ്രകാരം നിഷേധിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു.

പോയിന്റ് നമ്പർ 5-നെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം, ആകെ സേവന കാലം ഈ ഓഫീസിന്റെ കത്ത് നമ്പർ 33-06-2019-Gen Vol (II) തീയതി 04.10.2023 ന് നിങ്ങൾക്ക് നേരത്തെ തന്നെ നൽകിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ യോഗ്യതാ വിവരങ്ങൾ RTI ആക്ട് 2005 ന്റെ Rule 8 (1) (J) പ്രകാരം വെളിപ്പെടുത്താനാവില്ല.

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8 RTI Query S. No. 15 (R)

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RTI REQUEST DETAILS (आरटीआई अनुरोध विवरण)

Registration Number (पंजीकरण संख्या): DOA&C/R/E/25/00804/9 Date of Receipt (प्राप्ति की तारीख): 21/05/2025

Type of Receipt (रसीद का प्रकार): Online Receipt Language of Request (अनुरोध की भाषा): English

Information Sought (जानकारी मांगी): Subject: Request for detailed information on all Central and State Government schemes for farmer welfare launched since 2014.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I hereby request detailed information under the Right to Information Act regarding all schemes launched by the Central and State Governments for the welfare of farmers from the year 2014 till date. Kindly provide:

A comprehensive list of all such schemes launched from 2014 onwards

For each scheme, provide the following details:

Official name of the scheme

Date of launch

Objectives and targeted outcomes

States or regions where the scheme has been implemented

Categories of farmers targeted (e.g., small, marginal, women, tribal

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Current status of the scheme (whether active or discontinued)

If discontinued, the reason(s) for discontinuation along with the date

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State-wise and year-wise data on the number of farmers who have benefitted under each scheme.

Original RTI Text (मूल आरटीआई पाठ):

8 reply : S.No.16 (I)

Subject :Request for information under RTI Act, 2005

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request No. DOA&C/R/E/25/00804/9 dated 21-05-2025, the information concerned to this Directorate is as follows :

A comprehensive list of all such schemes launched from 2014 onwards by Central/State Government for the welfare of the farmers:

The Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, implementing the programmes for the development of its mandate crops viz., Spices, Arecanut, Betelvine and Aromatic crops under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) through respective State Horticulture Missions to enhance the production and productivity of Spices in the country. The development programmes of the Directorate implemented through the State Agricultural/ Horticultural Universities (SAUs) /ICAR institutes supplements the effort made by the state horticulture missions in improving the spices sector.

Important programmes implemented by the Directorate are;

Production of planting materials of high yielding varieties: Since 2005-06, DASD has undertaken nucleus planting material production programme of all released high yielding varieties in association with SAUs, ICAR Institutes etc. To facilitate this, it also provides required infrastructure to the farms attached to these research stations. The directorate also established model nursery, small nurseries and seed storage and infrastructure facilities in the selected locations on the identified spices and aromatic crops.

Accreditation of spice nurseries: DASD has been engaged in the accreditation of spice nurseries since 2015-16 to improve the quality of planting materials distributed through various nurseries across the country.

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Front line Demonstration programmes : In order to popularize the high yielding varieties and scientific technologies available from Research Institutes among the farming community, frontline demonstrations are taken up in association with SAUs in farmer participatory mode / cluster basis. These programmes have been implemented by the Directorate since 2005-06.

Skill development trainings: Since 2017-18, the Directorate has been implementing skill-based certificate training programmes on selected agriculture-based job roles for unemployed rural youth.

Transfer of Technology Programmes Since 2005-06, national, state, and district-level seminars, workshops, and farmers' training programmes have been conducted regularly for the effective transfer of technology.

Objectives and targeted outcomes: The programmes are implemented with the objective of developing the spice sector by increasing the production and productivity of spices across the country. Integrated efforts under the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) have led to remarkable growth in the area under cultivation, production, and export of spices. These programmes have also played a crucial role in disseminating improved technologies to farmers.

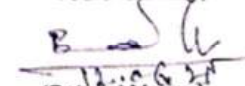
States or regions where the scheme has been implemented: The aforementioned development programmes are implemented across the country through State Agricultural Universities and ICAR institutes.

Categories of farmers targeted: Most of the programmes of the directorate are implemented through State Agricultural Universities/ICAR institutes.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

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Yours faithfully,


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RTI REQUEST DETAILS (आरटीआई अनुरोध विवरण)		
Registration Number (पंजीकरण संख्या) :	DOA&C/R/T/25/00220	Date of Receipt (प्राप्ति की तारीख) : 13/05/2025
Transferred From (से स्थानांतरित):	Central Agroforestry Research Institute(ICAR) on 13/05/2025 With Reference Number : NRCAG/R/T/25/00009	
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Is Requester Below Poverty Line ? (क्या आवेदक गरीबी रेखा से नीचे का है?) :	No	Citizenship Status (नागरिकता) :	Indian
Amount Paid (राशि का भुगतान) :	0 (Received by Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare) (original recipient)	Mode of Payment (भुगतान का प्रकार) :	Payment Gateway
Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person? (क्या यह किसी व्यक्ति के जीवन अथवा स्वतंत्रता से संबंधित है?) :	No(Normal)	Request Pertains to (अनुरोध निम्नलिखित संबंधित है) :	Dr. N.K. Patle, ADC (Hort-Tech)
Information Sought (जानकारी मांगी):	Hello sir/madam, please reply to the below query as per RTI act.		
Information Requested: Please provide details of vertical farming techniques adopted, recommended, or studied by your institution or affiliated bodies across India. Are there any government-funded research projects...			

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programs related to vertical farming? If yes, please provide the list of projects, their objectives, locations, and outcomes.

What crops are considered suitable for vertical farming under various agro-climatic zones in India?

Are there any central government schemes, subsidies, or financial incentives offered to promote vertical farming in India? Please provide the policy details, year of implementation, and eligibility criteria.

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Original RTI Text (मूल
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Reply 9 : S. No. 18 (I)



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Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
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(Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare)
कोलिकट / Calicut 673 005 केरल / Kerala

F.No. 33-06/2025-Gen

Dated the 9th June, 2025

Subject :Request for information under RTI Act, 2005

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request DOA&C/R/T/25/00220 dated 13-05-2025, requesting to provide:

1. details of vertical farming techniques adopted, recommended, or studied by your institution or affiliated bodies across India,
2. Are there any government-funded research projects, case studies, or pilot programs related to vertical farming? If yes, please provide the list of projects, their objectives, locations, and outcomes.
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5. Are any vertical farming training programs, certifications, or workshops conducted by your institution or under central government initiatives? If yes, kindly share the details including how to enroll.

Ans : As far as the Directorate is concerned, we do not have any scientific information or recommended package of practices available related to vertical farming in Spices. Research institutes and State Agricultural Universities have not yet developed standardized guidelines in this regard. At present, vertical farming is primarily under study by various institutions across the country.

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Dr.N.K.Patie, Additional Commissioner (Hort.), Govt. of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, (Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare), Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi 110 001.

RTI Query 10 – S.No. 19 (R)

RTI Request No: DOASD/R/E/25/00009 dated 1-6-2025

IF THERE IS NO ITR FILLED BY ANY FIRM FROM LAST 10 YEARS THEN WHAT ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY THE DEPARTMENT ?

Reply 10 : S.No.20 (I)

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request No DOASD/R/E/25/00009 dated 1-6-2025, it is to inform that this query is not related to this Department, you may please contact Income Tax Department.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

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Government of India, West Hill Post – 673005, Kozhikode, Kerala.
Phone: 0495 2765501.

Yours faithfully,


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Q. NO.11 S.No.22(R)

To,

The Director,
FAA
Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development,
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare,
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Kerala.

Subject: Request for Certified Copies of RTI Applications and Letters Filed Against Me and Corresponding Office Replies – Urgent for Legal Proceedings

Respected Sir/Madam,

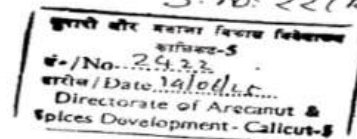
I, **Madhujith P. Chackraborty**, Director of Arecanut and Spices Development, respectfully request that I be provided with certified copies of the following documents, which are essential for pursuing legal action to protect myself and my family from continuous personal and professional harassment:

1. All RTI applications submitted by **Mr. Prasanth Chelland** and **Mr. Subash** (or on their behalf), from January 2022 to date, which mention or target me in any capacity.
2. All letters, complaints, petitions, or communications submitted by them to the Directorate during the same period.
3. Copies of all replies issued by this office in response to the above, including forwarding notes or internal comments relating to the same.

I would like to bring to your attention that I had already submitted an RTI application dated 09 May 2025, and received a reply dated 12 June 2025 (F. No. 33-06/2025), denying the information under Section 8(1)(h), 8(1)(j), and 8(2) of the RTI Act. However, I request that this denial be reconsidered in light of the following strong legal grounds:

1. Article 21 of the Constitution of India

This article guarantees the right to life and personal liberty, which includes the right to reputation, dignity, and the ability to defend oneself against false accusations. The repeated actions of the abovementioned individuals, through baseless RTIs and complaint letters, are infringing on these fundamental rights. Access to these documents is crucial to protect my dignity and ensure fair legal redress.



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2. RTI Act, 2005 – Section 8(1)(j): Exception Clause

While the reply referred to Section 8(1)(j) to deny the information, the section itself provides an exception:

"...provided that the information which cannot be denied to the Parliament or a State Legislature shall not be denied to any person."

This implies that I, being the affected party and a public servant, cannot be denied access to information about my own conduct or complaints filed against me, especially when it is not sensitive or classified.

Moreover, this section further clarifies that if disclosure is required for protection of life or liberty, it must not be denied. I am facing targeted harassment and emotional distress, and I require these documents to safeguard my rights.

3. RTI Act, 2005 – Section 8(2): Overriding Provision

This provision states:

"Notwithstanding anything in the Official Secrets Act, the public authority may allow access to information if the public interest in disclosure outweighs the harm to protected interests."

I respectfully submit that:

- The public interest in disclosing these documents is strong, as they are needed to file a police complaint and legal action for defamation and harassment.
- Denial of this information would shield malicious actions and defeat the spirit of transparency under the RTI Act.

Therefore, even if certain exemptions technically apply, Section 8(2) mandates disclosure when public interest outweighs any potential harm — which is clearly applicable here.

4. Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules – Rule 3

As a Central Government employee, I am bound by the principles of integrity and devotion to duty. At the same time, I am entitled to protect my service record and personal reputation from malicious and baseless attacks.

- The above-mentioned individuals are attempting to misuse the RTI mechanism and complaint system to intimidate, harass, and defame me.

I am legally and ethically entitled to access documents relating to myself to defend against such malafide actions.

Request

In light of the above constitutional, statutory, and service rule protections, I kindly request you to:

- Provide certified copies of all the documents mentioned above.
- Consider this application as a valid administrative representation in addition to my previous RTI application.
- If further format or application is required, kindly direct me to the appropriate mechanism.

A copy of the earlier CPIO reply (dated 12 June 2025) is enclosed herewith for reference.

Thanking you in anticipation of a just and prompt response.

Yours faithfully, 

Reply 11 .S.No.23 (I)



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F.No. 33-06/2025 Dated the 12th June, 2025

To

Subject :Request for information under RTI Act, 2005

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request dated 29th May, 2025, it is to inform that the information is denied under Rule 8 (1) H & J and (2) of Right to Information Act, 2005.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

Dr.Homey Cheriyan,
FAA & Director,
Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development,
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare,
Government of India, West Hill Post – 673005, Kozhikode, Kerala.
Phone: 0495 2765501.

Yours faithfully,



(Babulal Meena)
CPIO & Deputy Director,
Phone : 0495 2369877
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Reply 12 query. S.No.25 (I)



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कोलिकट / Calicut 673 005 केरल / Kerala

F.No. 33-06/2025-Gen

Dated the 25th July, 2025

To

വിഷയം: RTI നിയമം, 2005 പ്രകാരം വിവരങ്ങൾക്കുള്ള അപേക്ഷ

സർ,

നിങ്ങളുടെ 30-06-2025 തീയതിയിലേതായ ആർടിഐ അപ്പീലിനെ അടിസ്ഥാനമാക്കി, ആർടിഐ ആക്ട് 2005 ന്റെ ചട്ടം 8 (1) (H) & (J) പ്രകാരം വിവരങ്ങൾ നൽകാൻ കഴിയില്ലെന്ന് അറിയിക്കുന്നു.

നൽകിയിരിക്കുന്ന വിവരങ്ങളുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട് നിങ്ങൾ രണ്ടാമത്തെ അപ്പീൽ നൽകാൻ ആഗ്രഹിക്കുന്നുവെങ്കിൽ, ഈ കത്ത് ലഭിക്കുന്നതിന്റെ തീയതിയിൽ നിന്ന് തൊണ്ണൂറു ദിവസത്തിനകം സെൻട്രൽ ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ കമ്മീഷനിലേക്ക് അപ്പീൽ സമർപ്പിക്കാവുന്നതാണ്.

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Rti Query 13– S.No. 26 (R)

Query No: DOASD/R/E/25/00010 Dated 1-7-2025

Sir, As I am an aspirant of competitive examination, I would like to know about the different sanctioned posts available in this directorate and also the no of vacant posts in this directorate. Thanking in you in anticipation Your faithfully

Reply Query 13 – S.No. 27 (I)

Subject :Request for information under RTI Act, 2005

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request No. DOASD/R/E/25/00010 Dated 1/7/2025, the requisite information is attached in Annexure – 1.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

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FAA & Director,
Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development,
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Different sanctioned posts available in this Directorate and the number of vacant posts.

Nomenclature of post	Status of the post		Total No. of posts	
	Gazetted/ Non-Gazetted	Sanctioned Strength	Filled	Vacant
(1)	(2)	(3)	(6)	(7)
Director	Gazetted	1	1	-
Deputy Director	-do-	2	2	-
Assistant Director	-do-	1	1	-
Research Officer	-do-	1	1	-
Superintendent	Non-Gazetted	1	1	-
Senior Technical Assistant	-do-	2	2	-
Statistical Investigator	-do-	1	0	1
Junior Translator Officer	-do-	1	0	1
Artist Photographer	-do-	1	1	-
Technical Assistant	-do-	3	2	1
Marketing Assistant	-do-	3	2	1
Statistical Assistant	-do-	1	1	-
Computer	-do-	1	-	1
Stenographer Grade-II	-do-	3	3	0
UDC	-do-	4	3	1
LDC	-do-	6	1	5
Staff Car Driver(OG)	-do-	1	1	-
MTS	-do-	6	4	2
TOTAL		39	26	13

Rti Query 14 – S.No. 28 (R)

RTI Request No: DOASD/R/E/25/00011 dated 21-7-25

Please provide information on the following queries. 1. Information on the Indian government Areca nut testing facility/ laboratory. Please list all government-accredited testing facilities where areca nut can be tested to determine their origin country. 2. Please list all the private testing facilities where Areca nut can be tested to determine their country of origin. 3. Can the origin of Arecanut be assessed with the naked eye? 4. Information on the mechanism available to trace the country of origin of Areca Nuts. 5. Can the origin of Arecanut be assessed with the naked eye by glossy appearance, Kernel colour, fibre characteristics, texture, grading, moisture contents, weight, etc?

Reply for Query 14 : Sr. No. 29 (I)



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F.No. 33-06/2025 - Gen

Dated the 31st July, 2025

Subject :Request for information under RTI Act, 2005

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request No. DOASD/R/E/25/00011 Dated 21/7/2025, it is to inform that at present, we do not have the expertise or facilities available to trace the country of origin of arecanut through lab testing or visual appearance.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

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FAA & Director,
Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development,
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare,
Government of India, West Hill Post – 673005, Kozhikode, Kerala.
Phone: 0495 2765501.

Yours faithfully,

(Babulal Meena)

CPIO & Deputy Director,
Phone : 0495 2369877

RTI Query No: 15 S.No.30 (R)

RTI Query (Direct) dated 19-9-2025

Please provide me a legible and authenticated copy of the Right to Information reply dated 4th January 2018, issued under F.No.33-6/2016-Gen issued by the Assistant Director & Central Public Information Officer.

Reply for 15 : S. No. 31 (I)



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कोलिकट / Calicut 673 005 केरल / Kerala

File No. 33-06/2025-Gen

Date : 3rd October, 2025

Subject : RTI application Dated 19th Sept, 2025 - Reg.

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request dated 19th Sept, 2025, enclosing herewith a copy of the Right to Information reply sent to you issued under F.No.33-6/2016-Gen.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty** days from the date of receipt of this letter.

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Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare,
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Yours faithfully,

(Babulal Meena)

CPIO & Deputy Director,
Phone : 0495 2369877

Subject - Application under section 6 of RTI Act, seeking information on Betel nut- reg.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated NIL on the above subject, I am to furnish below the information.

1. Whether the origin of Betelnut can be conclusively determined upon examination by naked eye.

Answer: No

2. Whether a betel nut is indigenously grown or is of foreign origin for. Example from Burma/Myanmar or from Indonesia or from Bangladesh can be determined by means of any laboratory test.

Answer: No

3. Whether there is any scientific process/laboratory testing procedure which is available and can conclusively determine the origin of a betel nut.

Answer: At present, there is no mechanism available to trace the country of origin of Arecanut. It is proposed that trials be undertaken at Government research organizations to utilize molecular marker technology for this purpose.

4. Whether ARDF (Arecanut Research and Development Foundation) Mangalore has any sanction from the Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, Development of Agriculture, Co-operation and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India to carry out determination of origin of betel nuts.

Answer: No.

Encl: Receipt No. 14, dated 3.1.18 for Rs. 10/- IPO NO. 08F306356

Details of the Appellate authority is given below:-

Dr. Homey Cheriyan, Director
Directorate of Arecanut & Spices Development,
West Hill P.O., Calicut-673 005,
Phone: 0495-2369877 2765501, Fax: 0495-2765777,
E-Mail: spicedte@nic.i

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Yours faithfully,


24.01.2018
Babulal Meena
Assistant Director & CPIO



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S. NO. 32 (R)

RTI REQUEST DETAILS (आरटीआई अनुरोध विवरण)

Registration Number (पंजीकरण संख्या) : DOA&C/R/P/25/00381

Date of Receipt (प्राप्ति की तारीख) : 19/12/2025

Type of Receipt (रसीद का प्रकार) : Manually Forwarded by
CAPIO of D/o Posts
with Payment

Language of Request (अनुरोध की भाषा) : English

State (राज्य) : Madhya Pradesh

Country (देश) : Details not provided

Phone Number (फोन नंबर) : Details not provided

Mobile Number Details not
(मोबाईल नंबर) : provided

Email-ID (ईमेल-आईडी) : Details not provided

Status (स्थिति)(Rural/Urban) : Details not provided

Education Status : Details not provided

Requester Letter 11-238
Number(निवेदक पत्र संख्या) :

Letter Date : 03/12/2025

Is Requester Below Poverty No
Line ? (क्या आवेदक गरीबी रेखा
से नीचे का है?) :

Citizenship Status Indian
(नागरिकता)

Amount Paid (राशि का भुगतान) 10) (original recipient)

Mode of Payment Postal Order
(भुगतान का प्रकार)

Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person? No(Normal)

Request Pertains to Anup Pant,
(अनुरोध निम्नलिखित DS (MIDH)
संबंधित है) :

Information Sought (जानकारी मांगी): Refer to attachment.

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दिनांक २३/१२/८६

AD(MIDW)

सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम, 2005

सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम, 2005 की धारा 6(1) के अन्तर्गत आवेदन पत्र का प्रारूप

3. आवेदन देने की दिनांक: 03-12-2025।

4. कार्यालय का नाम: एकीकृत बागवानी विकास मिशन, 224 कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली - 110001।

5. चाही गयी जानकारी का विवरण: एकीकृत बागवानी विकास मिशन (MIDH) के अप्रैल 2025 में जारी दिशा निर्देश के B2 Establishment of New Gardens (Area Expansion) के अंतर्गत बिंदु क्रमांक V (ii) Spices (Rhizomatic and Bulbous Spices) के अंतर्गत निम्नानुसार जानकारी दी जाए:

(i) Spices (Rhizomatic and Bulbous Spices) की श्रेणी में अदरक, हल्दी एवं लहसुन फसल के लिए उत्पादन इकाई लागत (Cost Norms) ₹ लाख रुपये प्रति हेक्टेयर दर्शित (निर्धारित) की गयी है। ₹ लाख रुपये प्रति हेक्टेयर की यह लागत किस प्रकार निर्धारित की गयी है, इसकी संपूर्ण जानकारी (Complete Cost of Cultivation) फसलवार, मदवार (बीज/खाद/दवाई/जुताई/लेबर/अन्य) एवं राशि-वार सत्यापित प्रति में देने की कृपा करें।

(अर्थात् इस ₹ लाख रुपये प्रति हेक्टेयर की इकाई लागत में कितनी मात्रा एवं राशि का बीज, खाद, दवाई, लेबर, जुताई, आदि पर कितना-कितना राशि का व्यय निर्धारित किया गया है)।

6. क्या चाहते हैं नकल/निरिक्षण/रिकार्ड निरिक्षण/रिकार्ड की प्रमाणित प्रति/प्रमाणित नमूना: सम्पूर्ण उपर उल्लेखित जानकारी सत्यापित प्रतियों में उपलब्ध कराई जाये।

7. आवेदक के साथ अदा किये जाने वाले की प्रोसेस फी - रुपये 10/- नगद स्टाम्प (बी.पी.एल. सूची के सदस्य को देय नहीं)।

रसीद क्रमांक 69F 393268 दिनांक: 15-10-2025।

8. क्या आवेदक गरीबी रेखा के नीचे है अथवा नहीं, हाँ/नहीं?

यदि हाँ तो बी.पी.एल. सूची का अनुक्रमांक:

टीप - यदि आवेदक द्वारा डाक से आवेदन प्रेषित किया जा है तो आवेदन पत्र पर 10/- का नॉन-जुडिशियल स्टाम्प चसपा करते हुये स्वयं का पता अंकित करते हुये आवश्यक राशि डाक टिकट लगा लिफाफा संलग्न प्रेषित करें।

Ashish
हस्ताक्षर आवेदनकर्ता

पावती

1. आवेदन प्राप्त होने की दिनांक:

2. आवेदनकर्ता को वांछित जानकारी प्राप्त करने के संबंध में अग्रिम कार्यवाही हेतु उपस्थित होने की दिनांक:

3. संबंधित शाखा अधिकारी जहाँ से जानकारी उपलब्ध होगी।

(लोक सूचना अधिकार/सहायक लोक सूचना अधिकारी द्वारा अधिकृत प्राप्तकर्ता के हस्ताक्षर पदनाम रबरसील)

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F.No. 33-06/2025-Gen

Dated the 5th February, 2026

Subject : Request for information under RTI Act, 2005- Reg.

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request Registration No. DOA&C/R/P/25/00381 dated 19-12-2025 the information is as under:

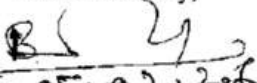
Reply: The cost of cultivation of any crop varies across regions. With respect to ginger, the cost of cultivation worked out by three Universities viz: Kerala, Karnataka, and Assam were forwarded to the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare for consideration in arriving at general cost norms. Similarly, the break-up of the cost of cultivation of turmeric from two Universities, from Kerala and Tamil Nadu, were collected and forwarded.

The break-up of the cost of cultivation of both crops are attached herewith.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

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Yours faithfully,


05.02.2026
(Babulal Meena)

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Copy to :Shri Alka Tewari, CPIO & Director, Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (MIDH Division) Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.

1. GINGER

A) Cost of cultivation of Ginger in KERALA

S.No.	Cost components	Amount (Rs/ha)
1	Hired human labour	42844
2	Machine labour	1316
3	Seed / seedlings	28711
4	Farmyard manure and chemical fertilizers	12902
5	Plant protection	392
6	Land tax and irrigation cess	270
7	Repair and maintenance charges of implements, machinery and building	1138
8	Interest on working capital	8947
9	Other expenses	3307
10	Total (Cost A)	99827

Source: Department of Economics and Statistics, Kerala


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B) Cost of cultivation for GINGER in Assam (plains)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Unit	Rate	Amount
1	Field Preparation			
	a) Land preparation			
	Tractor/cultivation	1.0 ha	15000.00	15,000.00
	Bed making etc	25 mandays	150.00	3,750.00
	b) Border bamboo fence			50,000.00
				28,750.00
2	Nursery and planting or sowing			
	a) Planting material cost	1500 kg	35.00	52,500.00
	b) Planting cost	25 mandays	150.00	3,750.00
				56,250.00
3	Inter-culture			
	a) Weeding/mulching	35 mandays	150.00	5,250.00
	b) Earthing up, fertilizer application	90 mandays	150.00	13,500.00
				18,750.00
4	Plant protection			
	a) Spraying of pesticides, fungicide etc.	20 mandays	150.00	3,000.00
	b) Chemicals			3,000.00
				6,000.00
5	Fertilizers			
	a) Urea	45 kg	10.00	450.00
	b) SSP	375 kg	10.00	3,750.00
	c) MOP	35 kg	15.00	525.00
	d) FYM	10 tons	1000.00	10,000.00
				14,725.00
6	Harvesting	40 mandays	150.00	6,000.00
				6,000.00
7	Total Cost of cultivation			1,25,975.00

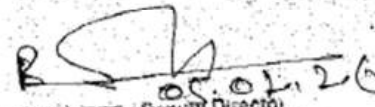
Source: Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat.


 Deputy Director
 Directorate of Agriculture & Spices Development
 Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries Welfare
 & Rural Development, Assam
 Dispur, Assam - 781 005
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C) COST OF CULTIVATION OF GINGER IN KARNATAKA

Sl.No	Component	Man Days/ Machine/Bullock	Unit Cost	Total (Rs/ha)
1	Land Preparation			
	Ploughing	Tractor	2200	2200
	Harrowing	Tractor 2 times	600	1200
2	Manure application			
	Cost of the manure	25 tons /ha	700	17500
	Manure application (Labour cost)	1000/ha	3000	3000
3	Cost of seed rhizome	1500 kg	40/kg	60000
	Cost of planting	Manual	6000	6000
4	Fertilizer application 100:50:50 (NPK)			
	Urea	178 kg	06	1068
	DAP	108 kg	24	2592
	MOP	80 kg	17	1360
	Cost of Labour for application of fertilizers	20 Man days	150	3000
5	Inter Cultivation			
	Weeding (3 times)			
	After -30 days	45 Man days	150	6750
	After -60 days	30 Man days	150	4500
	After -90 days	20 Man days	150	3000
6	Plant Protection (3 sprays)			6000
7	Harvesting	45 Man days	150	6750
10	Total Cost of Cultivation			124920

Source: University of Horticulture Sciences, Bagalkote, Karnataka


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 सुपारी और मसाला विकास निदेशालय
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TURMERIC

A) Cost of cultivation of turmeric in TAMIL NADU

S.No	Component	Total Cost [Rs.]
1	Land Preparation (i) 4 Ploughings @ Rs. 2500/- per. Ploughing)	10000
2	Manure application and furrowing (i) Farm Yard Manure - 25tons @ Rs. 75 0/- per ton. (ii) Furrowing Cost	18750 6250
3	Cost of Seed and Sowing (i) Seed cost @ Rs.22/- per Kg for 1500Kgs (ii) Sowing cost 10 Female labourers @ Rs. 200/- per day	33000 2000
4	Fertilizer application @ 150:60:108 NPK (i) Urea 325Kg @ Rs. 5.6 per Kg (ii) Super phosphate 375 Kg @ Rs.4.6 per Kg (iii) MOP 170 Kgs @ Rs. 11.2 Per Kg (iv) Application cost	1820 1725 1904 250
5	Inter Cultivation (i) Weeding 17 Female labourers @ 200/- for 4 times (ii) Carrying the Weedlump from field to manure pit	12400 100
6	Plant Protection Cost of Chemicals (i) Carbendazim (ii) Dimethoate (iii) Carbofuran and Labour cost for spraying	11250
7	Removing dried haulms, bundling of haulms and taking out (i) Removing of dried haulms. 12 Female labourers @ 200/- per day (ii) Bundling of haulms	2400 100
8	Digging of Turmeric from the soil and separation of fingers from the mother rhizomes (i) Digging of Turmeric from the soil 50 Male Labourers @ Rs. 400/- per day (ii) Separation of fingers from the mother rhizomes 75 Female Labourers @ Rs.200/- per day	20000 17000
17	Total cost of production	134,949

Source: TNAU, 2012

B) Cost of cultivation of TURMERIC in Kerala

S.No.	Cost components	All Size
1	Hired human labour	39548
3	Machine labour	445
4	Seed / seedlings	15189
5	Farmyard manure and chemical fertilizers	15652
6	Plant protection	343
7	Land tax and irrigation cess	250
8	Repair and maintenance charges of implements, machinery and building	1574
9	Interest on working capital	7563
10	Other expenses	4452
11	Total Cost 'A'	85016

Source: Department of Economics and Statistics, Kerala


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वर्तमान वर्ष में खरगोन जिला मध्य प्रदेश में मिर्च की खेती हेतु केंद्र/राज्य सरकार द्वारा जारी आधिकारिक कृषि सलाह की प्रति। 2^व मिर्च की फसल में ब्लैक थ्रिप्स की पहचान कारण तथा उनके नियंत्रण हेतु सरकार द्वारा अनुशंसित समेकित कीट प्रबंधन दिशानिर्देश/दवाओं की जानकारी। 3^व ब्लैक थ्रिप्स के कारण पत्तियाँ झड़ने की स्थिति में पौधों को पुनः स्वस्थ व हराभरा करने हेतु सुझाए गए पोषण प्रबंधन एवं अन्य उपाय। 4^व यदि बाजार में उपलब्ध दवाओं से पूर्ण नियंत्रण न हो रहा हो तो इसके लिए मंत्रालय वैज्ञानिक संस्थानों द्वारा सुझाई गई वैकल्पिक या नवीन रणनीतियाँ। 5^व वर्तमान वर्ष में मध्य प्रदेश विशेषकर खरगोन जिला में मिर्च की फसल पर कीट प्रकोप से संबंधित कोई सर्वेक्षण रिपोर्ट/डेटा उपलब्ध हो तो उसकी प्रति। 6^व आगामी कृषि वर्ष में खरगोन क्षेत्र के लिए जलवायु व मिट्टी के अनुसार सरकार द्वारा अनुशंसित उपयुक्त मिर्च किस्मों/हाइब्रिड्स की सूची तथा उनके गुण, उपज, रोग प्रतिरोधक अवधि आदि।

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Dated the 6th April, 2026

महोदय,

आपके दिनांक 12/02/2026 के आरटीआई अनुरोध DOASD/R/T/26/00001 के संदर्भ में, आपके प्रश्न के प्राप्त होने के समय से ही आरटीआई पोर्टल पर उत्तर अपलोड कर दिया गया था, हालांकि उत्तर अंग्रेजी में था, इसलिए हिंदी में उत्तर इसके साथ भेजा जा रहा है।

1. मध्य प्रदेश के खरगोन जिले में मिर्च की खेती के लिए केंद्र/राज्य सरकार द्वारा चालू वर्ष हेतु जारी आधिकारिक कृषि परामर्श की प्रति।

उत्तर: निदेशालय के पास इस संबंध में कोई जानकारी नहीं है।

2. मिर्च की फसल में काले थ्रिप्स की पहचान, कारणों और सरकार द्वारा अनुशंसित एकीकृत कीट प्रबंधन दिशानिर्देशों/दवाओं के बारे में जानकारी।
3. काले थ्रिप्स के कारण पत्तियाँ झड़ने की स्थिति में पौधों को स्वस्थ और हराभरा बनाने के लिए सुझाए गए पोषण प्रबंधन और अन्य उपाय।

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उत्तर: 2 और 3) ऊपर मांगी गई जानकारी निम्नलिखित वेबसाइटों पर उपलब्ध है: 1. राष्ट्रीय एकीकृत कीट प्रबंधन अनुसंधान केंद्र <https://nriipm.res.in/NCIPMPDF> (पीडीएफ की प्रति संलग्न है) 2. किसान कल्याण एवं कृषि विकास विभाग https://mpkrishi.mp.gov.in/hindisite_New/krishi_capsules_mirch_New.aspx

4. यदि व्यावसायिक रूप से उपलब्ध दवाएं पूर्ण नियंत्रण प्राप्त नहीं कर पा रही हैं, तो मंत्रालय/वैज्ञानिक संस्थानों द्वारा सुझाई गई वैकल्पिक या नवीन रणनीतियाँ।

उत्तर: निदेशालय के पास इस संबंध में कोई जानकारी नहीं है।

5. मध्य प्रदेश (विशेष रूप से खरगोन जिले) में चालू वर्ष के लिए मिर्च की फसलों पर कीटों के प्रकोप के संबंध में उपलब्ध किसी भी सर्वेक्षण/रिपोर्ट/डेटा की प्रति।

उत्तर: निदेशालय के पास इस संबंध में कोई जानकारी नहीं है।

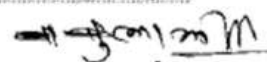
6. आगामी कृषि वर्ष में खरगोन क्षेत्र के लिए सरकार द्वारा अनुशंसित उपयुक्त मिर्च की किस्मों/संकरों की सूची, जो वहां की जलवायु, मिट्टी और विशेषताओं (उपज, रोग प्रतिरोधक क्षमता, अवधि आदि) पर आधारित हो।

उत्तर: विस्तृत जानकारी किसान कल्याण एवं कृषि विकास विभाग की वेबसाइट https://mpkrishi.mp.gov.in/hindisite_New/krishi_capsules_mirch_New.aspx पर उपलब्ध है।

यदि आप प्रदान की गई जानकारी के संबंध में अपील करना चाहते हैं, तो आप इस पत्र की प्राप्ति तिथि से तीस दिनों के भीतर नीचे निर्दिष्ट अपीलीय प्राधिकारी को अपील कर सकते हैं।

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NCIPM

Integrated Pest Management for Chilli



- Grading is to be done to remove defective and discoloured pods
- Preserve and encourage natural enemies such as coccinellids and spiders by limited and judicious use of chemical pesticides



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Chilli (*Capiscum annuum*) also known as 'red pepper' is traditionally used as vegetable, spice, condiment and in sauces and pickles and has value addition in pharmaceuticals, cosmetics and beverages. Despite several technology interventions, chilli (green) and chilli (dry) productivity is low (8.45 and 2.49 t/ha) compared to world average of 17.46 and 2.57 t/ha respectively. Frequent failure to protect crops from major pests is one of the reasons for low productivity. Injudicious application of chemical pesticides to manage these pests has only compounded the problem at various levels. Integrated Pest management (IPM) practices offer better solution to manage major pests with least damage to the environment.

Damping off (*Pythium aphanidermatum*): At pre-emergence stage, rotting is noticed arresting the germination. In post emergence damping off, seedlings rot at collar region and topple in patches



Powdery mildew (*Levillula taurica*) initially appears as chlorotic blotches or spots on upper leaf surface with white to gray powdery growth on the corresponding lower surface. Shedding of foliage is very prominent.



Leaf curl virus (begomo virus) infected chilli leaves are greatly reduced in size and plant gives stunted look. In advanced stages, whole plant appears bushy, with stunted growth and fewer flowers.



Fusarium wilt (*Fusarium solani*) is characterized by typical wilting of plant with upward and inward rolling of leaves. Initially wilt appears in patches in water stagnating areas which quickly spreads through irrigation along the water channel.



In die-back and anthracnose (*Colletotrichum capsici*), sunken patches with black margins appear on ripened fruits which drop off prematurely resulting in heavy crop yield. Same pathogen also attack the fruit stalk and spread along the stem causing dieback symptoms.



Thrips (*Scirtothrips dorsalis*): Both adults, nymphs lacerate tissue and as a result, young tender shoots, buds and flowers become twisted, deformed with leaves curled upwards like a boat.



Black thrip (*Thrips parvispinus*) adults mainly colonize on flowers and underside of leaves while larvae suck sap from undersurface of the leaves. Infestation cause flower drop and reduce fruit production.



Mite (*Polyphagotarsonemus latus*) nymphs and adults suck sap from leaves which curl downward and attain an inverted boat shape. Leaf petioles get elongated and small leaves are serrated giving bunchy appearance. In severe cases, fruit wall becomes hard and white stripes appear on the fruit.



White fly (*Bemisia tabaci*): Nymphs and adults of suck the sap on the ventral surface of leaves. Feeding by high population often result in stunting, poor growth, defoliation and reduced yields.



Gall midge (*Asphondylia capsici*): Maggots feed on ovary of flower buds, flowers and tender fruits. Affected buds remain unopened and infested flowers and fruits drop severely. Flower buds and young pods turn into galls and do not attain proper size.



Fruit borer (*Helicoverpa armigera*) is particularly active during post-rainy season from October to March. Larva damages by boring into fruits and feeds on inner contents of the pods.



Major IPM interventions for chili

- ❖ Prepare raised nursery beds about 10 cm above ground level for good drainage to avoid damping off and seedling diseases
- ❖ Follow three to six weeks of soil solarisation . Post flood irrigation, cover the beds with transparent polythene sheet of 45 gauge (0.45 mm) thickness tightening sides of sheets to enable avoid escape of moist heat.



- ❖ Mix 150 g of *Trichoderma asperillum* from reliable source (colony forming units/ CFU: 2 x 10⁶/g) in 3 kg of FYM and leave for 7-14 days for enrichment followed by mixing of *Trichoderma* enriched FYM in the soil of a 3 m² bed. Treat seeds with *Trichoderma asperillum* @ 10 g/kg.

- ❖ Protect seedling from infestation of white fly and other sucking pest by covering nursery beds with nylon net of 40-50 mesh



- ❖ At the time of planting, apply *Trichoderma asperillum* @ 5 kg/ha along with well rotten FYM to manage fungal wilts.



- ❖ Plant barrier crops such as maize, sorghum and pearl millet around chili field in 2-3 rows to protect the crop against white flies and black thrips. Grow coriander or local flowering plants

- to encourage natural enemies which feed on nectar and pollens. Plant marigold as trap crop (chilli: marigold – 15:1) for lepidopteron insects and nematodes.
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- ❖ Erect T-shaped bird perches @ 25/ ha for facilitating visits of predatory birds.
 - ❖ Install yellow/blue sticky trap @ 50 /ha for trapping white fly, thrips and black thrips
 - ❖ Spray neem products/ NSKE 5% or *Verticillium lecanii* (cfu: 2×10^7 / ml) @ 1 % or *Beauveria bassiana* @ 0.4 % (spore load - 1×10^8 cfu/g or ml), *Pseudomonas fluorescens* – NBAIR-PFDWD @ 2% or *Bacillus albus* – NBAIR-BATP @ 2% to manage black thrips and other sucking pests.
 - ❖ Erection of pheromone traps @ 5 and 25/ ha for *H. armigera* *S. litura* for monitoring and mass trapping of adults respectively. Install light trap (NCIPM model) for lepidopteran pests. Spray at 7- 10 days interval of HANPV /SNPV 250 LE/ha (2×10^6 POB) or *Br* @ 0.2 % against early instars of lepidopteran larvae. Periodically release egg parasitoid, *Trichogramma* sp. @ 1.5 lakh/ ha.
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- ❖ Rogue and bury leaf-curl and wilt affected plants at initial stages.
 - ❖ Resort to drip irrigation wherever feasible to manage *Fusarium* wilt.
 - ❖ Spray label claim pesticides need based against fruit borer (ETL 1 larva/plant or 1 damaged fruit per plant), tobacco caterpillar (ETL 15 neonate larvae or 3 egg masses/m² or 1 egg mass/10 plants), thrips (ETL 2 thrips/leaf), whitefly (ETL 4-5/leaf), aphids, jassids and mites (ETL 1 yellow mite/leaf; 5-10 red spider mite/leaf) following appropriate waiting period (wp). Some of the label claim insecticides are fenpropathrin 30 EC @ 0.033 % against thrips, whitefly and mite (wp 7 days); spinosad 45 SC @ 0.032 % against fruit borer and thrips (wp 3 days); emamectin benzoate 5 SC @ 0.04 % against fruit borer and mite (wp 3 days); diafenthiuron 50 WP @ 0.08 to 0.12 % against mite (wp 3 days); spinetoram 11.7 SC @ 0.1 to 0.11 % against fruit borer (wp 7 days)
 - ❖ Application of protective and need based label claim fungicides must also be followed against fungal spots and blights, powdery mildew, die-back and fruit rot giving waiting periods before harvest. Some of the fungicides include, captan WP 75 WP @ 0.25 % against damping off; copper oxychloride 50 WP @ 0.25 - 0.33 % against fruit rot and azoxystrobin 11 % + tebuconazole 18.3 % W/W SC @ 0.1 - 0.12 % against powdery mildew and fruit rot (wp 5 days)
 - ❖ After harvest, plough and harrow the field to expose cutworms and other pests to natural enemies and desiccation.
 - For dry chilli, resort to sun-drying. Moisture in the dried pods should be brought down to <10% to avoid microbial activity and aflatoxin production.
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RTI Query No :18 S.No.38 (R)

RTI REQUEST No: DOASD/R/T/26/00002 Dated : 30-3-2026

Point 15 - Top Agricultural and Allied Sector Products in Demand by Importing Countries, State-wise and UT-wise (Last 5 Years) State-wise and UT-wise list of the top 50 agricultural and allied sector products in demand from importing countries over the last 5 years, including the name of each importing country, as per records maintained by Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA), Spices Board of India, Coconut Development Board (CDB), National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Limited (NAFED), National Cooperative Exports Limited (NCCF), Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC), North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation Limited (NERAMAC), Reserve Bank of India (RBI), Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Prime Ministers Development Initiative for North East Region (PM-DevINE), North East Centre for Technology Application and Reach (NECTAR), and all other concerned government bodies and their regional

offices, are requested. Since export demand data is a mandatorily compiled record maintained by each of the above statutory bodies in the discharge of their respective export promotion and trade facilitation mandates, this information exists and is available with each concerned authority. Non-availability of this information with any of the above bodies would itself constitute a failure of their statutory and operational obligations. State-wise list of all registered Geographical Indication (GI) tagged agricultural and allied sector products, along with state-wise and national-level marketing opportunities and support available for such GI tagged products for Farmer Producer Companies (FPCs) and Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs), as maintained and facilitated by APEDA, MPEDA, Spices Board of India, CDB, NAFED, NCCF, ICAR, NCDC, NERAMAC, MSME, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, PM-DevINE, NECTAR, and all other concerned government bodies and their regional offices, are also requested. The CPIO is respectfully requested to provide this information directly where it is held by this office, and to transfer this application under Section 6(3) of the Right to Information Act, 2005, to the CPIOs of all other concerned public authorities - including their regional offices where such records are maintained - with mandatory intimation to the applicant, as per the binding obligation under the RTI Act, 2005. All other points and supporting details of this RTI application are attached in the Supporting Documents section. The CPIO is respectfully requested to consider all points collectively and transfer each point to the appropriate CPIO of the concerned public authority wherever required, with intimation to the applicant in each case.

Reply for RTI Query No 18 S.No.41 (I)



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File No. 33-06/2025-Gen

Date : 24-04-2026

Subject : RTI application dated 30-03-2026 received from Shri Himangshu Das, Telengala – DOASD/R/T/26/00002

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request DOASD/R/T/26/00002 dated 30-3-2026, the available information in this Directorate is on export of spices for the last 5 years is attached at Annexure-I. The state-wise details of all registered Geographical Indications (GI) tagged Agricultural and Allied Sector products are available in the website https://ipindia.gov.in/frontend/pdf/gi/registered/State_wise_Registered_GI_of_India.pdf.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

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Yours faithfully,

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ITEM	2020-21			2021-22			2022-23			2023-24 ^(*)			2024-25 ^(**)		
	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)
PEPPER	19,883	57,868.74	77.80	21,883	75,331.23	101.07	17,998	72,886.41	90.46	17,688	73,648.68	88.86	20,830	105,500	124.54
CARDAMOM(S)	6,485	110,346.20	143.50	10,571	137,568.95	181.37	7,332	87,514.87	105.91	6,156	89,959.85	120.74	6,726	156,482	184.85
CARDAMOM(L)	1,220	9,616.74	13.80	1,881	15,448.21	20.72	1,883	13,720.19	17.97	1,281	14,816.41	17.60	1,368	22,944	27.62
CHILLI	649,815	924,126.56	1,246.80	507,144	858,458.38	1,151.75	516,177	1,044,412.31	1,289.76	601,084	1,249,248.45	1,508.94	715,806	1,140,490	1,340.32
ONION	145,874	84,862.34	114.66	147,677	83,651.76	112.23	50,886	43,346.06	53.82	60,633	64,668.57	76.14	131,260	106,240	124.70
TURMERIC	183,868	172,764.56	232.41	152,758	153,432.05	205.87	170,085	186,899.49	267.46	182,019	187,506.79	276.98	176,325	288,539	311.54
CORIANDER	57,359	49,627.93	89.66	48,656	46,347.51	64.73	54,481	66,501.19	82.76	108,624	94,820.87	114.53	60,323	63,379	74.94
CUMIN	288,421	425,154.66	573.60	218,971	334,367.40	448.60	188,568	419,359.76	521.85	168,269	579,723.42	706.22	229,581	617,866	722.35
CELERY	7,438	9,815.24	13.24	7,578	9,854.19	13.22	5,248	7,755.76	9.65	6,599	10,674.21	12.17	8,473	11,879	14.80
FENNEL	32,742	29,396.40	39.66	40,133	41,107.20	55.27	27,281	31,437.42	29.12	30,565	55,960.91	88.88	75,589	76,544	90.92
FENUGREEK	48,340	26,703.34	36.03	32,462	26,206.63	35.27	39,055	26,600.17	31.20	30,855	28,612.76	32.14	44,516	36,589	45.23
OTHER SEEDS (1)	68,265	42,520.21	57.51	47,167	40,485.48	54.26	57,431	48,089.08	59.85	39,438	36,177.50	43.70	35,109	34,099	41.37
GARLIC	17,643	14,971.04	28.28	22,135	18,576.04	24.32	57,346	24,570.64	30.59	73,950	44,118.84	55.29	43,359	53,838	63.34
NUTMEG & MACE	3,812	19,115.23	25.79	3,597	21,798.56	20.25	3,447	22,127.57	27.54	5,143	28,607.69	34.65	4,790	33,192	28.85
OTHER SPICES (2)	128,755	297,147.81	400.99	109,369	159,567.89	214.61	116,269	193,701.29	241.06	102,133	186,806.08	275.64	118,171	242,417	286.33
CURRY	51,347	117,064.38	157.84	52,479	115,838.50	158.41	57,954	111,689.27	176.33	72,421	175,727.66	212.26	77,151	209,499	247.59
POWDER/PASTE	16,997	349,566.76	439.48	21,920	447,823.73	600.82	18,380	408,581.25	503.44	19,782	412,306.59	488.01	20,940	453,324	535.32
SPICE OILS & ESSENCES	27,219	366,713.39	404.75	36,254	444,144.18	595.89	26,706	357,508.49	444.77	27,659	343,918.61	416.42	27,263	353,676	417.8
MINT PRODUCTS (3)	1,755,965	3,897,331.96	4,178.80	1,530,661	3,032,632.44	4,866.47	1,404,352	3,176,138.22	3,562.60	1,539,892	3,895,888.50	4,484.17	1,709,267	3,999,448	4,722.69
TOTAL															

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(1) INCLUDE BUCHS WEDDING, DILL, SPED, FORTY (811), ANISEED, MUSTARD ETC.

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SOURCE : DGCI, M.S., CALCUTTA MAC

RTI REQUEST DETAILS			
Registration No. :	DOASD/R/T/26/00003		Date of Receipt : 30/03/2026
Transferred From :	Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare on 30/03/2026 With Reference Number : DOA&C/R/T/26/00093/1		
Remarks :	Transferred under section 6(3) of the act for necessary action.		
Type of Receipt :	Electronically Transferred from Other Public Authority	Language of Request :	English
Address :	Telangana		
State :	Telangana	Country :	Details not provided
Phone No. :	Details not provided	Mobile No. :	Details not provided
Email :	bharatiya@pcsa@gmail.com		
Status(Rural/Urban) :	Details not provided	Education Status :	Details not provided
Letter No. :	Details not provided	Letter Date :	Details not provided
Is Requester Below Poverty Line ? :	No	Citizenship Status :	Indian
Amount Paid :	0 (RTI fee is received by Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (original recipient))	Mode of Payment :	Payment Gateway
Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person ? :	No(Normal)	Request Pertains to :	
Information Sought :	Few part information pertains to your Ministry/ Department/ Organisation application is being transferred under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 with request to provide the information directly to the applicant. It is also requested to forward the same to the concerned Public Authority, if it is not related to you.		
Original RTI Text :	Point 15 - Top Agricultural and Allied Sector Products in Demand by Importing Countries, State-wise and UT-wise (Last 5 Years) State-wise and UT-wise list of the top 50 agricultural and allied sector products in demand from importing countries over the last 5 years, including the name of each importing country, as per records maintained by Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA), Spices Board of India, Coconut Development Board (CDB), National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Limited (NAFED), National Cooperative Exports Limited (NCCF), Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC), North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation Limited (NERAMAC), Reserve Bank of India (RBI), Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Prime Ministers Development Initiative for North East Region (PM-DevINE), North East Centre for Technology Application and Reach		

(NECTAR), and all other concerned government bodies and their regional offices, are requested.

Since export demand data is a mandatorily compiled record maintained by each of the above statutory bodies in the discharge of their respective export promotion and trade facilitation mandates, this information exists and is available with each concerned authority. Non-availability of this information with any of the above bodies would itself constitute a failure of their statutory and operational obligations.

State-wise list of all registered Geographical Indication (GI) tagged agricultural and allied sector products, along with state-wise and national-level marketing opportunities and support available for such GI tagged products for Farmer Producer Companies (FPCs) and Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs), as maintained and facilitated by APEDA, MPEDA, Spices Board of India, CDB, NAFED, NCCF, ICAR, NCDC, NERAMAC, MSME, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, PM-DevINE, NECTAR, and all other concerned government bodies and their regional offices, are also requested.

The CPIO is respectfully requested to provide this information directly where it is held by this office, and to transfer this application under Section 6(3) of the Right to Information Act, 2005, to the CPIOs of all other concerned public authorities - including their regional offices where such records are maintained - with mandatory intimation to the applicant, as per the binding obligation under the RTI Act, 2005.

All other points and supporting details of this RTI application are attached in the Supporting Documents section. The CPIO is respectfully requested to consider all points collectively and transfer each point to the appropriate CPIO of the concerned public authority wherever required, with intimation to the applicant in each case.

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Reply for RTI query No: 19 S.No. 42 (I)



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सुपारी और मसाला विकास निदेशालय

Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय / Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

(कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण विभाग)

(Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare)

कोलिकट / Calicut 673 005 केरल / Kerala

File No. 33-06/2025-Gen

Date : 24-04-2026

**Subject : RTI application dated 30-03-2026 received from Shri Himangshu Das,
Telengala – DOASD/R/T/26/00003**

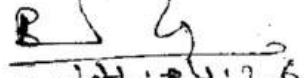
Sir,

With reference to your RTI request DOASD/R/T/26/00003 dated 30-3-2026, the available information in this Directorate is on export of spices for the last 5 years is attached at Annexure-I. The state-wise details of all registered Geographical Indications (GI) tagged Agricultural and Allied Sector products are available in the website https://ipindia.gov.in/frontend/pdf/gi/registered/State_wise_Registered_GI_of_India.pdf.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

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Yours faithfully,


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ITEM	2020-21			2021-22			2022-23			2023-24 ^(*)			2024-25 ^(**)		
	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)	Qty (Tons)	Value (Lakhs)	Value (Min \$)
PEPPER	19,883	57,868.74	77.80	21,883	75,331.23	101.07	17,998	72,886.41	90.46	17,688	73,648.68	88.86	20,830	105,590	124.54
CARDAMOM(S)	6,485	110,346.20	143.50	10,571	137,566.95	181.37	7,332	87,514.87	105.91	6,156	89,959.65	120.74	6,726	156,482	184.85
CARDAMOM(L)	1,220	9,616.74	13.80	1,881	15,448.21	20.72	1,883	13,720.19	17.97	1,281	14,816.41	17.80	1,368	22,944	27.82
CHILLI	649,815	924,126.56	1,246.80	507,144	858,455.38	1,151.75	515,177	1,044,412.31	1,289.76	601,084	1,249,248.45	1,508.94	715,506	1,140,490	1,340.32
ONION	145,974	84,862.34	114.66	147,677	83,651.76	112.23	50,886	43,346.06	53.82	60,633	64,668.57	76.14	131,260	106,240	124.70
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SOURCE : DGCI, M.S., CALCUTTA MAC

RTI REQUEST DETAILS		S.No. 40(R)
Registration No. :	DOASD/R/T/26/00004	Date of Receipt : 30/03/2026
Transferred From :	Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare on 30/03/2026 With Reference Number - DOA&C/R/X/26/00012/2	
Remarks :	Transferred under section 6(3) of the act for necessary action.	
Type of Receipt :	Electronically Transferred from Other Public Authority	Language of Request : English
Address : . Telangana		
State :	Telangana	Country : Details not provided
Phone No. :	Details not provided	Mobile No. : Details not provided
Email :	bharatiyaspc@gmail.com	
Status(Rural/Urban) :	Details not provided	Education Status : Details not provided
Letter No. :	Details not provided	Letter Date : Details not provided
Is Requester Below Poverty Line ? :	No	Citizenship Status : Indian
Amount Paid :	0 (RTI fee is received by Prime Minister's Office (original recipient))	Mode of Payment : Payment Gateway
Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person ? :	No(Normal)	Request Pertains to :
Information Sought :	RTI information for point no. C, D E pertains to your Department.	
Original RTI Text :	I submit this application under Section 6(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005, seeking information as detailed below. A. Details of Agricultural and Allied Sector Exporters, Sellers, and Buyers: I request information regarding Exporters, Sellers, and Buyers associated with APEDA, Spice Board, NERAMAC, NAFED, NCCE, FSSAI, Jute Corporation, NEDEX, TRIFED, SFAC, NCDC, NABARD, Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Finance, Jute Board, and GoI undertaking organizations, including: (1) Name of Entity Company, (2) Products dealt with, (3) Registered Office Address, (4) Email ID, (5) Registered Contact Number (if disclosable), (6) Business transaction duration (FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26). <i>P-16</i> B. Details of Farmer Producer Companies (FPCs) and Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs): I request information regarding FPCs FPOs registered as Buyers, Sellers, or Exporters with above-mentioned departments, including the same six points mentioned in Section A. <i>NA</i> C. Agricultural Production Data (Last Five Years): I request village-wise, gram panchayat-wise, block-wise, district-wise, and state-wise production	

details for Agricultural and Allied Sector products from FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26, including: Cereals (Ranjit Rice, Basmati, Joha Rice, Maize, Wheat, Millets), Pulses, Spices (Turmeric, Ginger, Garlic, Pepper, Cardamom, Cumin, Coriander), Cash Crops (Tea, Coffee, Tobacco, Jute, Cotton, Sugarcane, Cocoa, Arecanut), Vegetables, Flowers, Fruits, Plantation Crops, and other products whose data is maintained by Gol or Gol undertaking organizations. — *Stat*

D. Farmers Income Data (Last Five Years): I seek village-wise, gram panchayat-wise, block-wise, district-wise, and state-wise farmers income details from FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26, as available through agricultural surveys or government initiatives. *NA*

E. Schemes/Services/Projects for FPCs/FPOs: I request details of schemes, projects, services, subsidies, and financial assistance for FPCs/FPOs under Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Railways, Jute Board, Turmeric Board, APEDA, Spice Board, NERAMAC, NCCF, NAFED, NEDEX, NeML, SEAC, ASFAC, TNSFAC, NCDC, MSME, NABARD, and Gol undertaking organizations. For each scheme: Name, description, eligibility criteria, application process, and financial benefits. *NA*

F. Supply Procedure to Defence Establishments: I request information regarding procedure for FPCs to supply products (Rice, Pulses, Vegetables, Spices, agricultural commodities) to Army Camps, SSB Camps, Assam Rifles, ITBP Camps, or Defence Canteens, including: (1) Registration/empanelment procedure, (2) Eligibility criteria, (3) Quality parameters, (4) Certification requirements, (5) Tender/procurement process, (6) latest contracts (if available). *NA*

If information is held by another Public Authority, I request transfer under Section 6(3) of RTI Act, 2005, with intimation.

I request information in digital format (PDF/Excel) to save trees.



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File No. 33-06/2025-Gen

Date : 24-04-2026

**Subject : RTI application dated 30-03-2026 received from Shri Himangshu Das,
Telengala – DOASD/R/T/26/00004**

Sir,

With reference to your RTI request DOASD/R/T/26/00004 dated 30-3-2026, the queries A, B, D, E, F are not applicable to this Directorate. Reply for Query C is attached in Annexure-1.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within **Thirty days** from the date of receipt of this letter.

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Annexure-I

PRODUCTION ESTIMATES OF ARECANUT in '000 tonnes

State	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Andhra Pradesh	7.640	20.244	30.513	18.386	17.734
Assam	6.839	3.679	7.088	5.832	6.000
Goa	53.938	41.854	55.397	55.480	55.480
Karnataka	4.135	3.963	3.978	4.002	3.600
Kerala	1348.930	1024.117	1032.023	1097.750	1132.389
Maharashtra	103.476	96.527	103.985	85.796	98.989
Manipur	4.210	4.176	2.760	8.175	4.813
Meghalaya				0.141	0.141
Mizoram	25.091	51.650	51.919	87.256	87.256
Nagaland	33.540	33.540	33.540	33.540	33.540
Odisha	0.156	1.352	1.373	1.328	1.095
Tamil Nadu		1.601	1.602	1.622	1.608
Tripura	13.001	21.889	21.301	26.143	26.925
West Bengal	24.850	24.975	25.070	25.077	24.930
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	24.842	24.791	24.929	24.828	24.760
Pondicherry	15.386	12.519	15.410	15.804	14.570
All India	0.078	0.062	0.078	0.066	0.073
	1666.112	1368.939	1410.966	1491.226	1533.894

(Not in thousands)

PRODUCTION ESTIMATES OF SPICES 2025-26 in '000 tonnes

State	Black pepper	Ginger (Fresh)	Red Chillies	Turmeric (Dry)	Garlic	Cardamom	Coriander	Cumin
Andhra Pradesh	0.252	28.471	1167.110	40.660	6.750		19.816	
Assam	3.010	42.613	0.015	2.970		2.946		
Bihar		176.943	21.850	59.562	103.780		34.798	
Chhattisgarh		2.585	5.046	2.026	2.493		2.322	
Goa	0.312	6.513	2.909	1.110	2.215		0.900	
Gujarat		112.996	56.983	22.232	116.481		170.000	446.000
Haryana		1.230		4.500	40.400		1.360	
Himachal Pradesh		16.227	0.356	0.999	13.845		0.185	0.050
Jammu & Kashmir		0.052	0.517	0.005				
Jharkhand		90.823		3.855				
Karnataka	63.387	336.065	221.443	106.660	21.704	0.175	0.567	0.004
Kerala	21.714	52.359	6.277		0.790	24.715		
Madhya Pradesh		624.660	268.666	96.313	2203.624		488.173	0.350
Maharashtra	0.403	245.212	33.462	307.202	33.184		7.796	
Manipur		49.638	3.427	2.965	0.825	0.001	0.801	
Meghalaya	2.513	81.741	2.542	6.280	0.478		2.346	
Mizoram	0.003	148.741	14.121	32.393	0.012			
Nagaland	0.043	37.810	6.304	1.855	2.585	2.292	0.082	
Odisha		269.513	85.000	77.526	43.142		12.953	
Punjab			65.999	4.211	102.056			
Rajasthan		0.044	17.694	0.745	580.301		90.276	693.939
Sikkim		81.643		15.438		5.591		
Tamil Nadu	1.800	1.894	31.298	172.086	27.650	0.856	2.366	
Telangana		14.275	355.820	95.000	0.151		0.226	
Tripura								
Uttar Pradesh		10.021	42.031	12.882	277.207		6.670	
Uttarakhand		31.981	10.040	5.390	13.714	0.028	3.351	
West Bengal	0.246	139.897	16.443	53.299	48.107	0.725	16.579	3.099
Pondicherry	0.013		0.006	0.011				
Andaman & Nicobar	0.020	0.539	0.119	0.154				
Total	93.716	2904.486	2464.180	1137.606	3641.474	37.329	861.587	1143.442

* Actual estimate

PRODUCTION ESTIMATES OF SPICES 2024-25 in '000 tonnes

State	Black pepper	Ginger (Fresh)	Red Chillies	Turmeric (Dry)	Garlic	Cardamom	Coriander	Cumin
Andhra Pradesh	0.252	24.217	1147.114	40.660	6.750		2.747	
Assam	3.011	42.613	0.015	2.970		2.946		
Bihar		176.944	21.640	59.502	103.760		34.798	
Chhattisgarh		2.585	5.046	2.026	2.493		2.322	
Goa	0.357	6.513	2.809	1.110	2.215		0.900	
Gujarat		112.996	56.963	22.232	116.461		176.168	471.838
Haryana		0.668		0.252	62.860		1.046	
Himachal Pradesh		16.227	0.356	0.999	13.845		0.185	0.050
Jammu & Kashmir		0.045	0.516	0.005	0.589			
Jharkhand		91.813		3.800				
Karnataka	66.028	379.151	204.473	82.746	14.332	0.131	0.320	0.004
Kerala	29.503	52.359		6.741	0.750	18.310		
Madhya Pradesh		624.138	321.607	96.129	2197.463		485.562	0.352
Maharashtra	0.602	235.248	33.462	307.136	31.825		7.796	
Manipur		49.638	3.427	2.965	0.806	0.040	0.085	
Meghalaya	2.513	81.592		5.387	0.516		2.310	
Mizoram	0.003	148.741	14.121	32.393	0.012			
Nagaland	0.043	37.810	6.304	1.855	2.585	2.292	0.082	
Odisha		269.513	69.000	77.526	43.142		12.953	
Punjab			65.999	4.211	102.056			
Rajasthan		0.019	16.952	0.481	497.957		87.450	698.560
Sikkim		81.643		15.438		5.591		
Tamil Nadu	1.873	1.664	29.625	167.082	26.340	0.838	2.233	
Telangana		20.367	600.239	97.519	0.382		0.515	0.001
Tripura	0.271	18.530	6.300	2.376			0.099	
Uttar Pradesh		10.021	42.031	12.882	277.207		6.670	
Uttarakhand		31.952	10.036	5.396	13.698	0.026	3.345	
West Bengal	0.245	136.142	16.431	53.226	47.177	0.727	16.508	3.102
Pondicherry	0.013		0.008	0.011				
Andaman & Nicobar	0.037	0.613	0.158	0.213				
Total	104.751	2653.762	2694.838	1106.321	3665.321	30.901	844.095	1163.907

PRODUCTION ESTIMATES OF SPICES 2023-24 in '000 tonnes

State	Black pepper	Ginger (Fresh)	Red Chillies	Turmeric (Dry)	Garlic	Cardamom	Coriander	Cumin
Andhra Pradesh	0.252	23.471	1212.896	38.026	1.485		0.693	
Arunachal Pradesh	0.013	59.463	0.015	1.704		2.537		
Assam	2.844	174.920	21.082	57.455	101.037		34.465	
Bihar		5.450	4.644	2.092	2.840		2.315	
Chhattisgarh		6.259	2.909	0.852	2.278		0.987	
Goa	0.350							
Gujarat		119.142	36.128	25.049	140.522		185.026	556.422
Haryana		0.690		0.417	30.466		1.372	
Himachal Pradesh		14.299	0.322	0.697	13.644		0.177	0.048
Jammu & Kashmir		0.061	0.558	0.007	0.598			
Jharkhand		90.588		3.854				
Karnataka	86.000	232.839	280.628	66.826	12.240	0.209	0.628	0.000
Kerala	30.798	45.412		6.145	0.790	22.869		
Madhya Pradesh		608.318	301.556	92.546	2123.526		458.788	0.349
Maharashtra	0.511	141.727	16.694	310.013	35.094		9.982	
Manipur		81.421	3.814	5.386	0.000	0.001	0.142	
Meghalaya	2.267	68.628		4.467			2.188	
Mizoram	0.003	60.291	10.918	29.983	0.012			
Nagaland	0.040	38.075	4.516	1.876	2.617	2.299	0.083	
Odisha		255.660	89.000	73.753	45.536		14.386	
Punjab			23.091	3.866	100.633			
Rajasthan		0.140	12.933	0.274	373.245		96.909	625.620
Sikkim		81.618		15.531		5.626		
Tamil Nadu	1.722	2.575	28.559	139.436	22.963	0.780	2.348	
Telangana		18.807	794.422	113.731	0.069		0.766	0.001
Tripura	0.957	18.731	8.362	2.376			0.099	
Uttar Pradesh		5.941	29.629	7.749	253.262		4.894	
Uttarakhand		33.090	10.041	5.491	14.068	0.043	3.653	
West Bengal	0.229	139.637	16.351	53.394	38.620	0.727	16.623	1.615
Pondicherry	0.013	0.038	0.009	0.016				
Andaman & Nicobar	0.039	0.609	0.167	0.212				
Total	126.038	2333.000	2909.844	1063.224	3315.545	35.091	836.524	1183.055

PRODUCTION ESTIMATES OF SPICES 2022-23 in '000 tonnes

State	Black pepper	Ginger (Fresh)	Red Chillies	Turmeric (Dry)	Garlic	Cardamom	Coriander	Cumin
Andhra Pradesh	0.248	2.308	1458.787	73.515			4.516	
Assam	0.003	12.742	0.978	2.459		1.606		
Bihar	2.812	170.755	22.270	23.333	71.316		34.074	
Chhattisgarh		2.716	2.961	2.818	2.209		2.265	
Goa	0.418	1.293	3.204	1.081	2.415		0.970	
Gujarat		118.467	30.651	20.210	163.721		312.664	274.752
Haryana		1.275		0.623	19.622		4.104	
Himachal Pradesh		15.677	0.367	0.738	14.774		0.170	0.049
Jammu & Kashmir		0.062	0.470	0.006	0.640			
Jharkhand		91.731		3.919				
Karnataka	80.805	267.340	162.833	119.390	14.035	0.677	0.345	0.083
Kerala	27.654	51.181		6.540	1.041	22.165		
Madhya Pradesh		565.631	279.820	82.430	2085.485		427.693	0.385
Maharashtra	0.506	141.765	21.152	323.215	30.408		12.198	0.030
Manipur		58.263	1.092	4.968	0.000	0.005	0.066	
Meghalaya	2.339	70.432		4.616	0.567		2.160	
Mizoram	0.003	60.131	9.860	29.823	0.012			
Nagaland	0.030	38.000	4.435	1.877	2.632	2.274	0.063	
Odisha		228.329	89.000	69.096	39.696		14.386	
Punjab			21.416	3.536	100.023			
Rajasthan		0.096	11.738	2.104	385.452		128.262	300.379
Sikkim		81.816		15.529		5.626		
Tamil Nadu	1.642	5.740	25.292	136.370	10.247	0.383	2.713	
Telangana		20.489	573.206	173.610	0.148		2.431	
Tripura	0.403	18.704	8.338	2.361	0.399	0.001	0.100	
Uttar Pradesh		5.365	27.491	6.870	245.579		4.507	0.006
Uttarakhand		33.379	10.745	5.632	14.247	0.037	3.474	
West Bengal	0.153	136.660	15.413	53.066	34.775	3.438	15.802	1.609
Pondicherry	0.014		0.020	0.038				
Andaman & Nicobar	0.037	0.821	0.370	0.207				
Total	117.067	2201.187	2782.009	1169.982	3239.453	36.212	973.973	577.273

PRODUCTION ESTIMATES OF SPICES 2021-22 in '000 tonnes

State	Black Pepper	Ginger	Red Chillies	Turmeric (Dry)	Garlic	Cardamom	Coriander	Cumin
Andhra Pradesh	0.486	3.139	417.813	74.687			1.372	
Arunachal Pradesh	0.017	11.522	0.005	1.241		5.800		
Assam	2.628	169.264	20.611	21.486	69.422		33.827	
Bihar		1.088	3.617	2.797	2.209		2.159	
Chhattisgarh		7.849	3.107	1.303	3.022		0.732	
Goa	0.404							
Gujarat		113.740	28.778	19.198	202.828		186.342	322.623
Haryana		0.880		2.938	39.908		3.855	
Himachal Pradesh		15.321	0.433	0.735	13.582		0.166	0.053
Jammu & Kashmir		0.064	0.512	0.012	0.565			
Jharkhand		87.327		3.242				
Karnataka	55.638	565.561	177.311	110.033	24.539	0.946	0.367	0.051
Kerala	32.516	59.921		7.402	1.019	21.270		
Madhya Pradesh		521.967	319.824	74.654	2106.626		390.884	0.377
Maharashtra	0.505	154.159	19.876	367.842	24.348		6.972	
Manipur		59.264	1.560	5.584		0.002	0.066	
Meghalaya	0.817	66.270		3.785				
Mizoram	0.003	60.131	10.918	29.823	0.012		0.021	
Nagaland	0.296	32.487	1.572	1.813	2.320	2.105	0.046	
Orissa		226.840	69.257	68.825	39.513		14.269	
Punjab			19.963	3.339	97.039			
Rajasthan		0.334	13.378	1.234	592.524		63.985	230.957
Sikkim		81.803		15.525		5.620		
Tamil Nadu	1.520	7.371	26.382	124.917	11.184	0.371	2.364	
Telangana		42.807	651.344	216.545	1.123		1.276	0.001
Tripura	0.342	17.516	6.960	2.062		0.004	0.295	
Uttar Pradesh		5.104	25.410	6.639	242.237		4.239	
Uttarakhand		50.046	9.334	3.039	11.270	0.090	3.932	
West Bengal	0.091	141.078	7.783	50.938	38.146	0.847	16.111	1.727
Pondicherry	0.014		0.133	0.033				
Andaman & Nicobar	0.046	0.472	0.340	0.047				
Total	95.323	2503.325	1836.222	1221.717	3523.436	37.055	735.280	555.789