

Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture- NHM and HMNEH

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- Promote holistic growth of horticulture sector, including bamboo and coconut through area based regionally differentiated strategies, which includes research, technology promotion, extension, post-harvest management, processing and marketing, in consonance with comparative advantage of each State/region and its diverse agro-climatic features
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Important Features (Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture- NHM and HMNEH)

- MIDH also provides technical advice and administrative support to State Governments/ State Horticulture Missions (SHMs) for the other horticulture related activities. Major interventions under NHM include, supply of quality planting material through establishment of nurseries and tissue culture units, production and productivity improvement programmes through area expansion and rejuvenation, technology promotion, technology dissemination, human resource development, creation of infrastructure for post harvest management and marketing in consonance with the comparative advantages of each State/region and their diverse agro
- climatic conditions. Accordingly, implementing agencies submit an Annual Action Plan (AAP) for the approval supported with data/write up on outcome of past interventions and also covering the details of various interventions proposed to be taken up during the current financial year. The key objectives of the Mission are as follows:
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- Support skill development and create employment generation opportunities for rural youth in horticulture and post
- harvest management, especially in the cold chain sector.

Benefits (Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture- NHM and HMNEH)

- The scheme targets to provide following benefits: 1) Increase in productivity of crops through diversification, from traditional crops to plantations, orchards, vineyards, flowers, vegetable gardens and bamboo plantations
- and extension of appropriate technology to farmers. 2) Promotion of R&D; technologies for cultivation, production, post
- harvest management and processing with special focus on cold chain infrastructure for extending the shelf life of perishables 3) Improvement in post harvest management, processing for value addition and marketing infrastructure.

Eligibility (Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture- NHM and HMNEH)

- All farmers / registered societies / state governments are eligible for the scheme

Application Process (Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture- NHM and HMNEH)

- Step 01: Interested beneficiary can get in touch with District Horticulture Officer / Block Horticulture Officer to apply for the scheme.
- Step 02: District Horticulture Officer / Block Horticulture Officer will submit applicant's details and project plan to State Horticulture Mission.
- Step 03: State Horticulture Mission will finalise the entrepreneur's proposals received from the District Horticulture Mission Step 04: Applicant's proposal will be appraised based on MIDH's guidelines
- Step 05: If approved, financial assistance will be released to beneficiary

Documents Required (Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture- NHM and HMNEH)

- 1) Aadhaar number 2) Land documents 3) Caste certificate 4) Bank details 5) Photographs The specific documents for availing the benefits of the program may vary depending on the type of intervention and the state. It is recommended to consult with the relevant authorities for detailed information on documents to be submitted.

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