

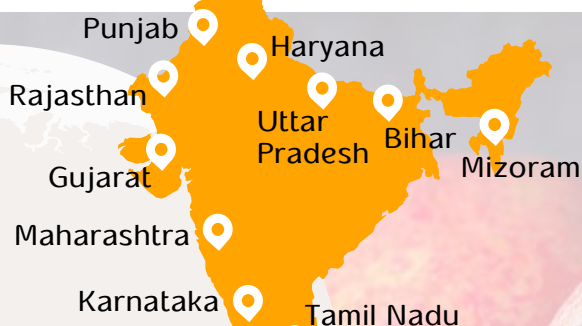
# INDIA

## The Indo-Israel Agricultural Cooperation Project

MASHAV - Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation at Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs is responsible for the design, coordination and implementation of the State of Israel's development cooperation programs and humanitarian assistance efforts.

- ▶ The guiding principles of MASHAV's projects are sustainability and replicability
- ▶ The focus is on capacity building activities in areas in which Israel has comparative advantage and accumulated expertise
- ▶ MASHAV projects include establishing demonstration infrastructures which serve as a platform for training, extension and transfer of advanced Israeli technologies
- ▶ Projects are designed in host countries in cooperation with local and international partners

### Project site



### Main Goal

Establish Centers of Excellence in Agriculture to demonstrate best practices and new technologies to increase crop diversity, productivity and water use efficiency.

### About the project

The project is part of a bilateral cooperation between Israel and India. The implementing parties are MASHAV and the Ministry of Agriculture of India. Close to 30 Centers of Excellence were jointly set up according to the requirements and needs of the Indian Government, providing a sustainable platform for the transfer of Israeli agro-technologies adapted to the local conditions and requirements of the farmers.



## Implementation

Introduction of best Israeli practices and innovative techniques through capacity building professional programs focusing on nursery production, cultivation methods and management of irrigation and fertigation.

- ▶ Professional capacity building in Israel and India
- ▶ Based on MASHAV's "Training of trainers" approach
- ▶ Demonstration of advanced Israeli agricultural technologies
- ▶ Adaptation to existing local needs
- ▶ Centers of Excellence are arranged in clusters headed by an Indian expert
- ▶ Long-term MASHAV expert on site

