**DAC&FW initiatives to promote Beekeeping**

- Pollination Support through Beekeeping a component under National Horticulture Mission /MIDH.
- National Bee Board (2006/2008) reconstituted under DAC&FW.
- Promoting scientific beekeeping through bee pollination in crops.
- Enhancing the income of farmers and beekeepers from yield improvement & honey production.
- Integration of schemes of beekeeping & crop production (NHM, HMNEH, NFSM, NMOOP, PKVY, RKVY)

**New Initiatives by NBB,DAC & FW**

- Setting up of Integrated Bee Development Centers (IBDC) –
  - 16 IBDCs commissioned - Bihar, Haryana, Delhi, MP, Uttarakhand, Manipur, Punjab, UP, TN, J&K, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura, Himachal Pradesh & West Bengal.
- Integrated Development of Scientific Bee Keeping (IDSB)- RKVY, MIDH and other schemes.
- Registration of Beekeepers by NBB.
- Safal brand of honey launched through Mother Diary on Pilot scale using milk route.
- Efforts for developing Honey brands (Mustard, Eucalyptus, Litchi, Multiflora).
- Work on Development of data base – Mobile App / Bee Portal.
- Task force constituted for Master Plan.
- Involvement of NDDB/GCMMF/ Milk Cooperatives/ Federations.
- Setting up of Honey Testing Lab by NDDB, Anand, Gujarat.
- Efforts for standardization of Honey & other beehive products.
- Preparation of National Beekeeping & Honey Mission (NBHM) for overall promotion & development of Beekeeping in the country.
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