

**R E P O R T**  
**OF THE WORKING GROUP**  
**FOR THE FORMULATION OF**  
**FOURTH FIVE YEAR PLAN PROPOSALS**  
**ON**  
**A R E C A N U T**



*Published by*  
**AN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH**  
**NEW DELHI**

**REPORT**  
**OF THE WORKING GROUP FOR THE FORMULATION**  
**OF FOURTH FIVE YEAR PLAN PROPOSALS**

**ON**

**A R E C A N U T**



*Published by*  
**INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH**  
**NEW DELHI**

*First Printed July, 1965*

**Printed in India by S. R. Malhotra at the Swan Press of Lahore, 3-Chamelian Road,  
Delhi-6 and published by Dalip Singh, Under Secretary (Publications),  
for the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi.**

## PREFACE

PREPARATORY work for the formulation of proposals for agricultural development under the Fourth Five Year Plan was taken up in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture in June, 1963 at the instance of the Planning Commission. Following the lines adopted in connection with the preparation of Third Five Year Plan, a Working Group on Arecanut was set up in the Department of Agriculture with the following terms of reference.

1. To make a critical review of the progress of the programmes and schemes in the Third Five Year Plan period.
2. To assess, in the light of current trends and other available data, the position likely to be reached at the end of the Third Plan period.
3. To formulate proposals for the Fourth Five Year Plan in the perspective, wherever possible, of development over a 10-year period.

On the basis of the material that is available in the Department of Agriculture and the results of studies, if any, already made, the Working Group has attempted to make an assessment of the requirements, the possibilities for development and the organisational and technical considerations involved therein and has given broad indication of the physical programmes proposed and the financial outlays needed. The Report was transmitted to the Planning Commission on August 13, 1964.

The proposal and recommendations made in this Report have been taken into account in the consolidated Memorandum 'Approach to Agricultural Development in the Fourth Five Year Plan' submitted by the Ministry of Food and Agriculture to the Planning Commission.

DR. J.S. PATEL  
*Chairman of the  
Working Group on Arecanut*

## CONTENTS

	<i>Page Nos.</i>
PREFACE	3
SUMMARY	5
WORKING PAPER ON ARECANUT DEVELOPMENT	8
I. Introduction	8
II. Assessment of the achievements during the First and Second Five Year Plans	9
III. Progress in the current Plan	10
IV. Critical assessment of the anticipated results in the Third Plan	20
V. Demand projections at the end of the Fourth Plan	20
VI. Physical Targets for the Fourth Five Year Plan	21
VII. Break-up of additional production targets and requirements proposed for the Fourth Five Year Plan	22
VIII. Measures and machinery for achieving the short and long-term objectives of the above development programmes	24
IX. Estimate of financial requirements for the Fourth Plan	25
X. Present pattern of financial assistance afforded to State Governments	26
APPENDICES	27