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News: Will solve all problems of cashew workers, says Rahul

Cashew sector, a traditional industry of Kerala, is facing an unprecedented crisis and the grievances of the labourers will be presented in the upcoming parliamentary session, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi has said.

## **Cashew Nut**

- ➤ Cashew cultivation is undertaken in India in around 10.11 lakh hectares, the highest amongst all the cashew growing countries.
- ➤ Maharashtra is India's largest Cashew nut producing state.
- ➤ It requires a warm humid climate, with a minimum of 600 mm rainfall, but well distributed rainfall is more important.
- $\triangleright$  Cashew thrives well under a wide range of temperatures from 15°C to 40°C.
- ➤ Cashew does not grow well in areas subject to frost and cold waves. It is drought resistant.
- ➤ It flourishes well on poor and rocky soils.