

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 287**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2023

**SALE OF QUALITY SEEDS**

287. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAMS.

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed the increasing trend of sub-standard seeds being sold in the open market;
- (b) if so, whether it is being ensured by the enforcement agencies that genuine varieties are grown to produce quality seeds and the same are packed and sold as seeds only; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS' WELFARE  
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): As reported by the Department of Agriculture of various States, there is no increasing trend of sale of sub-standard seeds in the market. In order to ensure the supply of quality seeds to the farming community Government makes all efforts as per extant provision of Seeds laws.

(b) & (c): The seed production, processing, labelling and sale are extensively monitored by concerned state seed law enforcement agencies. Besides, the allocation of breeder seed of notified varieties is being made by the Government of India to the indenting States and other seed producing agencies for production and to ensure availability of genuine varieties to the farmers.

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