

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:74
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ALLOTMENT OF ROOMS IN GANGA INTERNATIONAL GUEST HOUSE
GADDE RAMAMOCHAN

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the period for which rooms are allotted at Ganga International Guest House at IARI, New Delhi;
- (b) whether some top level officers of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) have been staying there for the last more than two years;
- (c) if so, the details and the reasons therefore; and
- (d) the steps being taken to bring transparency in the matter of allotment of rooms at the Guest House and to ensure that Rules are strictly adhered to in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

- (a) As per Council's guidelines Guest House accommodation is normally allotted for a period of 10 days. However Directors of the ICAR Institutes including Director, IARI are empowered to allot Guest House at their discretion for a period exceeding 10 days or payment at the prescribed rates.
- (b) & (c) : Additional Secretary, DARE & Secretary, ICAR has been allowed to stay in the Guest House beyond 10 days on payment of prescribed room rent. In addition to payment of room rent by Additional Secretary, DARE & Secretary, ICAR to IARI, she is not being paid full HRA as per provisions contained in G-I. MF. OM No. 2(39)/94-E.II(B) dated 27th October, 1994.
- (d) For allotment of Guest House accommodation guidelines issued by ICAR are followed by ICAR Institutes.