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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government recently announced Rs.250 crore scheme to augment the availability of good quality seeds;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): A concept note on a project for `seed production in agricultural crops and fisheries` has been submitted by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) to the Planning Commission. The project envisages quantitative and qualitative enhancement in the availability of seed and planting material of crops as well as fish seed at a tentative outlay of Rs.225 crores.