

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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AGRICULTURE POLICY  
AKHILESH SINGH;RAMSHETH THAKUR

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the well known agro-scientists of the country have opposed the Agriculture Policy of the Government and called it an anti-farmers policy;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) whether the Government are reducing the subsidy being given to the farmers of the country under the international pressure while the countries like America are still providing 25 per cent subsidy to the farmers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR)

- (a): No, Sir.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): The Government have not reduced subsidy given to farmers under international pressure.
- (d): Does not arise.