

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF PULSES IN RAJASTHAN  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether any step has been taken by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) to improve the varieties of pulses produced in Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, the funds allocated by the Government under central scheme during the last three years for the purpose?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) Yes, Sir. The ICAR has taken steps to improve varieties of pulses grown in Rajasthan under All India Coordinated Research Project (AICRP) on Pulses. Under this project funds are provided to State Agricultural Universities to improve and develop location/situation specific varieties of pulse crops grown in Rajasthan. In the last three years improved varieties like RSG 888, JKG 1, Chamatkar in chickpea; RMO 435, RMO 225, RMO 257, CAZRI Moth-1, CAZRI Moth-2 in mothbean; RC 19 and RC 101 in cowpea have been developed for cultivation in Rajasthan.

(b) An amount of Rs. 187.02 lakhs during 2001-02, Rs.144.39 lakhs during 2002-03 and Rs.141.51 lakhs during 2003-04 has been allocated to the State of Rajasthan by the ICAR under AICRP on Pulses.