GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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EXPENDITURE ON AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government spends only about 0.3 percent of GDP on agricultural research;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the percentage of GDP spent on agricultural research during each of the last five years?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Sir. The spending on agricultural research by the Department is 0.3 percent of Agricultural GDP.
- (b) Expenditure is incurred commensurate with the allocation of funds.
- (c) The percentage of Agricultural GDP spent on agricultural research during last five years is as under:-

Year Percentage

1999-2000	0.29%
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2001-2002	0.29%
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2003-2004	U 3U8