

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Karnataka has approached the Union Government for financial assistance to set up eleven Krishi Vigyan Kendra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government of Karnataka has also requested for financial support to set up Agricultural Colleges in Karnataka; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): All the 26 rural districts of Karnataka have a Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) in line with the Government decision to establish a KVK in each of the 589 rural districts in the country. Recently, the Karnataka Government has approached the Indian Council of Agricultural Research to set up KVKs in Ramanagaram and Chikkaballapur districts, created after bifurcating the erstwhile two districts, viz., Bangalore Rural and Kolar respectively.

(c) & (d): The Government of Karnataka has already established eight Colleges of Agriculture under its State Agricultural Universities. Establishment of new colleges does not come under the purview of ICAR and the Council has also not received any such request from the State Government.