GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:763 ANSWERED ON:03.03.2008 AGRO CHEMICAL RESEARCH Rao Shri Kavuru Samba Siva

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of agro-chemical research establishments in each State and their major achievements during the last three years;

(b) the problems and issues that affect the performance of such establishments;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide additional financial and other incentives to these establishments especially to domestic research establishments for improving agricultural productivity; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has All India Network Project on Pesticide Residues, which is conducting research on various aspects of pesticide residues, since 1984. There are twelve coordinating centres in different states of the country with Project Coordinating Cell, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi as the nodal centre. The locations, names and the major research achievements during the last three years are given in Annexure.

(b) Nothing pertaining to this Project.

(c)&(d): During Xth Plan the ICAR provided Rs.1210 lakhs for the AINP on Pesticide Residues under the Pay and Allowance, Recurring and Non-recurring contingency. In the XI th plan also, fund of Rs.1700 lakhs has been proposed for approval.