

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO RESEARCH CENTRES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Government run agricultural research centres which were provided financial assistance;
- (b) the total funds utilised by the agricultural research centres in Central Agricultural Universities/other Universities; and
- (c) the number of agriculture scientists produced in such Universities?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) This Department has established 97 Institutes comprising 49 National Institutes (including 4 Deemed Universities), 6 National Bureaux, 24 Directorates/Project Directorates and 18 National Research Centres, located all over the country, which are being fully funded by the Government through Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). Besides, there are 44 State Agricultural Universities (SAUs) including one deemed-to-be University for which ICAR is also providing developmental grants for carrying out agricultural research and education. One Central Agricultural University at Imphal is also being funded.

(b) The funds utilized by the Central Agricultural University, Imphal during the year 2008-09 was Rs.80.33 crore and by other universities viz. State Agricultural Universities (SAUs)/Deemed Universities (DUs) and Central Universities (CUs) with agricultural faculty was Rs.376.98 crore (anticipatory expenditure).

(c) The Agricultural Universities offer admission to fill around 9800 M.Sc. and 2600 Ph.D. seats every year. All students who pass out do not become Agricultural Scientists. Some opt for other kind of employment or become entrepreneurs.