

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a committee to examine the issues concerning the agriculture sector including declining productivity and to suggest remedial measures thereon; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Government of India vide its Order dated 30.12.2009 has constituted an Expert Group under the Chairmanship of Dr. Y.K. Alagh to suggest measures to be taken in the medium term to eliminate, or at least sharply reduce, the demand-supply mismatch in respect of pulses. The Group comprises members from policy makers, industry, academia and research institutions.