

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:157  
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SEED BILL  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Seed Bill is likely to adversely affect the farmers` right to produce, preserve and transfer seeds among themselves; and
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

**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 Seeds Bill, 2004 provides safeguards for the rights of farmers to grow, save, use, sow, re-sow, exchange, share or sell his farm seeds and planting materials.