

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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RESEARCH INSTITUTES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up more agricultural research institutes in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

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) Yes, Madam.

(b) During XI Five Year Plan the Department of Agriculture Research & Education/Indian Council of Agricultural Research has already established one new institute namely National Institute of Abiotic Stress Management, Malegaon, Maharashtra, to address emerging challenges of climate related issues like drought, temperature extremes, floods, salinity, nutrient deficiency, etc.. Besides this, the proposal for establishment of two more institutes is under examination. These are, National Institute of Biotic Stress Management, Raipur, Chhatisgarh and the Indian Institute of Agricultural Biotechnology at Ranchi, Jharkhand, to serve as National Centres of Excellence for cutting edge research and education and training, in their respective fields.