

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SPENDING ON AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of expenditure incurred on agricultural research on various crops, crop-wise and State-wise; and
- (b) the achievement made by the Government in this regard?

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) The crop-related institutes of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) conduct research on different crops, animals, fisheries, natural resource management, agricultural engineering and horticultural crops across the country and are multi-disciplinary in nature. Funds are allocated to institutes and not crop-wise or state-wise. The total plant outlay (RE) of ICAR for 2009-10 is Rs.1760 crore.

(b) The brief achievement of the Crop Science Division for 2009-10 is given below:- # 2 hybrids and 8 high yielding varieties of rice released for different agro-eco systems.

A new dual purpose barley variety has been released for commercial cultivation.

An early maturing Porso millet variety-TNAU 151 with profused tillering ability, lodging resistant with golden yellow grains developed and released.

43 extant and 15 new varieties of notified crops filed under Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmer's rights act.

8 wheat varieties released for different eco-systems.

14 maize hybrids and 2 composites released.

2 sweet sorghum varieties identified for release.

95 Institute Technology management units and 5 Zonal Technology management centres established for operationalisation of Intellectual property management and Technology Transfer/Commercialization.

38 patent applications filed.