

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TESTING OF FARM SOIL
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to issue Farm Soil Health Cards in various States including Uttar Pradesh to facilitate the use/distribution of fertilisers containing the essential nutrients on the basis of the information provided in such cards;
- (b) if so, the names of the States where farm soil is being tested in this regard; and
- (c) the time by which such cards are likely to be distributed?

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) to (c): The State Governments, including State Government of Uttar Pradesh, are already issuing Soil Health Cards to farmers based on soil tests. The details of Soil Health Cards issued and soil tests carried out, State-wise, are annexed.