

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6207  
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SLOW PROGRESS OF AGRICULTURE SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the mid-term appraisal of Planning Commission indicates slow progress of the agriculture sector despite huge public investment in the sector; 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): No, Madam. Mid Term Appraisal concludes that growth performance during five year period 2005-10 matches with the best five yearly performance in any five year period despite the fact that last year of 2009-10 saw the worst monsoon performance in many decades and year to year variation has dropped to an all time low.

(b): Does not arise.