## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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## Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made various provisions through different mediums to make the farmers of the country aware of the latest techniques in farming;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to undertake current measures to provide technical knowhow to the farmers more effectively; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b): The Ministry of Agriculture is implementing a number of schemes to disseminate latest available technology and agricultural know-how through different media to farmers. The details may be seen at Annexure-I.
- (c): Yes, Madam.
- (d): Recently, the schemes namely `Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Refroms ` and ` Establishment of Agriclinics and Agri-business centres` have been modified and strengthened to disseminate technologies more effectively.

Under the Kisan Call Centres scheme, Kisan Knowledge Management System has been developed so as to assist the Kisan Call Centre agents to access relevant agriculture information easily and provide information on real time basis to the farmers.