

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:291  
ANSWERED ON:30.11.2010  
UPGRADATION OF KVKs  
Bali Ram Dr.

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

- (a) the details of the Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) functioning in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether KVKs run schemes/programmes for the benefit of farmers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has identified the KVKs which need upgradation; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which such KVKs are likely to be upgraded?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.291 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30-11-2010 REGARDING "UPGRADATION OF KVKs"

(a): The Indian Council of Agricultural Research has sanctioned establishment of 589 Krishi Vigyan Kendras in the country. The State/Union Territory- wise details of districts with KVKs are given in Annexure- I.

(b) & (c): The activities / programmes for the benefit of farmers run under KVK scheme include testing and demonstration of agriculture technologies in farmers field; training of farmers and creation of awareness on improved technology through various extension programmes. Besides, the KVKs produce seeds and planting materials for its availability to farmers.

(d) & (e): The Council has identified KVKs for strengthening during XI Plan with more facilities including soil and water testing, plant health diagnostic, minimal agro-processing and e-connectivity, besides demonstration units on rain water harvesting structure with micro- irrigation system, portable carp hatchery and integrated farming systems. The names of identified KVKs for strengthening with such facilities are given in Annexure-II.