

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been an increase of more than 200 per cent in subsidy amount in the agriculture sector during the last three years;
- (b) if not, the facts in this regard;
- (c) whether the agriculture sector is not being benefited by the subsidies provided; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

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 (d): Subsidy is being provided to farmers as per approved guidelines under various schemes implemented by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation (DAC). The Plan budget of the Department has increased during the last three years as below and the subsidy provided to the farmers has also increased proportionately:

Year Funds Allocated as Budget Estimates
(Rs. in crores)

2007-08	5560.00
2008-09	10105.67
2009-10	11307.07
2010-11	17254.00