## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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MEASURES TO DEAL WITH CLIMATE CHANGE
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## Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to set up Climate Risk Management Research and Training Centre in all 128 agro-climatic zones as suggested by National Commission on Farmers (NCF);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is allocating specific funds to disseminate information among farmers about climate change and to tackle it; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) & (b): The National Commission on Farmers has suggested to train experienced farmers as Climate Managers in the art of managing drought, flood and aberrant monsoons.
- (c) & (d): The Government has launched a scheme 'National Initiative on Climate Resilient Agriculture' with an out lay of Rs.350 crore for the period 2010-2012 to assess the impact of climate change on agriculture and allied sectors in the country and evolve cost effective adaptation and mitigation strategies. The capacity building of lead farmers and dissemination of available climate resilient technologies amongst farmers is an integral component of the scheme. Rs.70 crore is earmarked for technology demonstration during 2010-11 and 2011-12. The demonstrations are planned through Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) of 100 vulnerable districts of 27 States (Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamilnadu, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and West Bengal) and one Union Territory (Andaman & Nicobar Islands).