

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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NIACIN IN SEEDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has directed the BCG Lab in Chennai to withhold development works and address the issue of niacin positivity in seeds strain; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI ARUN YADAV)

(a) & (b): Production of BCG vaccine by the BCG vaccine Laboratory, Guindy, has recently been suspended due to the fact that two samples tested NIACIN positive conducted by the TRC, Chetput.