

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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SEED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated, sanctioned and utilised for the Seed Development Programme in Government agriculture farms during each of the last three years, in the country including Gujarat, State-wise;
- (b) the financial assistance proposed to be provided under the said programme during the year 2009-10, State-wise;
- (c) the total number of agriculture farms incurring losses, State-wise; and
- (d) the remedial measures being taken in this regard?

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 (c): A statement showing state-wise details is enclosed in annexure.

(d): Several measures including production of higher quantity of high yielding varieties; demonstration of scientific management practices; infrastructural development; cropping programmes; bio-fuel/forest plantation in dry areas; improving irrigational facilities; mechanization of farms; use of vermi compost and farmyard manure; electrification and integrated nutrient management practices have been undertaken.