

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2459
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2011
COMMITTEE ON ENDOSULFAN
Rajbhar Shri Ramashankar

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Supreme Court has appointed a joint committee headed by the Director General, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and the Agriculture Commission to conduct a scientific study on the effect of use of endosulfan on human health;
- (b) if so, whether the said Committee has submitted its report;
- (c) if so, the findings of the Committee; and
- (d) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

- (a): The Supreme Court has appointed a joint committee headed by the Director General, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and the Agriculture Commissioner to conduct a scientific study on the effect of use of endosulfan on human health.
- (b) & (c): The Committee has submitted its interim report in the Supreme Court. Important observations of the Committee are annexed.
- (d): Final order of the Supreme Court is awaited.