

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF BISA

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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up Borlaug Institute of South Asia (BISA) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the expenditure likely to be incurred and the time by which it is likely to start functioning; and
- (d) the extent to which Indian agriculture would be benefited by setting up of BISA in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Government have approved a proposal of International Centre for Wheat and Maize (CIMMYT) to set up the Borlaug Institute for South Asia in India. This will be an International Institute, for which land and associated facilities are being provided by the three State Governments concerned. All other expenditure is to be organized and met by CIMMYT.

(d) India is expected to benefit from International level research in Wheat and Maize which this Institute is mandated to conduct.