

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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INVESTMENT IN AGRICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of private, public and the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) made in the agriculture and allied sectors during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the present level of investment in the agriculture sector is adequate to enhance the production of foodgrains in order to meet the requirement for implementation of food security;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the measures taken/being taken by the Government to increase public and private/foreign investment in agriculture for increasing foodgrains production and its stock in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

- (a): The details of private, public and the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the agriculture and allied sectors during each of the last three years may be seen at Annexure.
- (b) to (d): The country is largely self sufficient in food grain production. However, any additional investment particularly to strengthen agriculture infrastructure and logistics will lead to sustained higher production to meet the growing demand.

The Government is making efforts to increase public investment in the Agriculture sector through increased Plan outlays for this sector. Conducive environment is being created through enabling policies to attract private investment. FDI is permitted in specified areas of agriculture and allied sectors.