GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:883 ANSWERED ON:14.08.2012 VACANCIES IN SCIENTIFIC CADRE Patil Shri A.T. Nana

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of posts of scientists are lying vacant in the Indian Council of Agricultural Research and various research institutions under it;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps/initiated action to get the vacancies in the scientific cadre filled up on top priority basis;

(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(e) the time by which the rest of the vacancies in the scientific cadre are likely to be filled up?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Presently 21% of positions in the scientific cadre (1353 posts) are vacant in the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) comprising of 567 Scientists, 636 Senior Scientists and 150 Principal Scientists and Research Managers.

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. The details of the scientific positions filled up in the last three years are as given below:-

Category 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11 Total

Scientists 249 365 214 828

Senior Scientist 132 117 131 380

Principal Scientist 39 55 52 146

Research Managers 109 109 103 321

Total 529 646 500 1675

(e) Recruitment in the ICAR is a continuous process and vacancies are filled up through an established procedure subject to availability of appropriately qualified candidates in the required areas of specializations.