

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2593
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RASHTRIYA KRISHI ABHINAV PROJECT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of the sub-projects/schemes being funded under the Rashtriya Krishi Abhinav Project (National Agricultural Innovation Project) along with the stage at which they stand at present;
- (b) whether the Government has extended the time limit of research works of such projects especially for the Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute, Pusa, Delhi;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that there is discrimination on the selection of research associates/senior research fellows/junior research fellows in these institutes; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) National Agricultural Innovation Project (Rashtriya Krishi Navonmeshi Project) consisting of 191 sub-projects, is still continuing. The completion date of the National Agricultural Innovation Project has been extended up to 30th June, 2014 from the initial closing date of 31st December, 2012.

The list of various sub-projects is given in Annexure-I.

(b) Yes Madam, three sub-projects of National Agricultural Innovation Project have been extended at IASRI, New Delhi.

(c) Following sub-project running at IASRI have been granted extension:-

i. Establishment of National Agricultural Bioinformatics Grid (NBAG) in ICAR extended up to March 31, 2013. Original completion date was 31st March, 2012. (Lead Centre)

ii. Strengthening Statistical Computing for NARS extended up to March 31, 2013. Original completion date was 31st March, 2012. (Lead Centre)

iii. Implementation of Management Information System (MIS) including Financial Management System (FMS) in ICAR extended up to March 31, 2013. Original completion date was 31st March, 2012. (Lead Centre)

(d) & (e): A complaint was received by a candidate in respect of the recruitment for Research Associate/ Senior Research Fellow in project (iii) at (c) and the same is being examined.