## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3888 ANSWERED ON:04.09.2012 SETTING UP OF MAIZE RESEARCH INSTITUTE Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

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

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for setting up of Maize Research Institute at Karimnagar, Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

## Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. A letter from Chief Minister, Andhra Pradesh for setting up of Maize Research Institute at Karimnagar, Andhra Pradesh, has been received.

(c) It has been decided that the Directorate of Maize Research (DMR) at Pusa, New Delhi be shifted to Punjab. However, keeping in view of the importance of Maize crop in Andhra Pradesh, it has also been decided to enlarge and strengthen the existing centres in Andhra Pradesh, one at Hyderabad and the other at Karimnagar, to undertake kharif and Rabi maize research programmes more vigorously in the State.