GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1622 ANSWERED ON:04.12.2012 HIGH YIELDING AND ADVANCED SEEDS Devappa Anna Shri Shetti Raju Alias

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any accelerated scheme to provide high yielding and advanced seeds to the farmers directly; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the process through which new and high quality seeds are provided to the farmers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR)

(a) & (b): Government provides High Yielding Variety Seeds to the farmers under the Accelerated Pulse Production Programme of National Food & Security Mission. Under this programme the farmers in clusters of 100 ha each through 6240 units provides block demonstration of pulses viz Pigeon pea, Moong, Urd, Gram and Lentil in the identified districts of 16 States, viz, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. States have been given freedom to select the district based on availability of contiguous area in various villages of different blocks of the districts but same village and area selected during 2011-12 is not be repeated.