

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3984
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VACANT POST IN ICAR
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of bodies or institutes working under the purview of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research;
- (b) whether ICAR has administrative control over these bodies;
- (c) the number of posts of scientists and officials lying vacant in ICAR and institutes under the ICAR till 31 October, 2012; and
- (d) the steps taken by the ICAR to fill these posts?

Answer

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

- (a) The Indian council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has at present 107 Research Institutions working on different crops/species/agro-climatic zones spread all over the country.
- (b) Yes, all the 107 Institutions are constituent units under the administrative control of ICAR.
- (c) & (d): As on 31st October, 2012, 1177 posts in the scientific category and 25 positions of officers in the Administrative category is vacant. Since filling up of these vacancies is centrally done through the Agricultural Scientists' Recruitment Board (ASRB), requisitions for 948 positions have already been notified to ASRB and the requisitions for the remaining 229 positions are being forwarded shortly.

Steps have been initiated by the ASRB to get these vacancies filled up on top priority basis.