

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4797
ANSWERED ON:23.04.2013
INVESTMENT IN AGRICULTURE SECTOR
Saroj Shri Tufani;Thamaraiselvan Shri R.

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the growth rate of the agriculture sector has increased during each of the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of funds allocated for development of the agriculture sector along with the percentage of total capital investment made in the sector during the said period;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to increase the capital investment in the agriculture sector; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): As per the First Revised Estimates released by the Central Statistics Office (CSO) on 31st January, 2013, agriculture sector (agriculture including livestock, forestry & fishing) registered a growth rate of 0.8% in 2009-10, 7.9% in 2010-11 and 3.6 in 2011-12 at 2004-05 prices. Further, as per the Advance Estimates released by CSO on 7th February, 2013 this sector is estimated to grow at 1.8% in 2012-13 at 2004-05 prices.

(c) to (e): The details of funds allocated (Department of Agriculture & Cooperation – DAC) for development of the agriculture sector along with percentage of total expenditure to allocation made in the sector during the said period is given in the table below. Further, in the Budget Estimate for 2013-14, the Plan allocation for the DAC has been proposed to increase to Rs.21609 crore.

Year	Allocation Rs. in Crore	Expenditure Rs. in Crore	Percentage of Expenditure to Allocation of DAC
------	----------------------------	-----------------------------	---

2009-10	11307.1	10870.2	96.1
---------	---------	---------	------

2010-11	15042.0	17052.6	113.4
---------	---------	---------	-------

2011-12	17122.9	16554.3	96.7
---------	---------	---------	------

2012-13	20208.0	16666.5	82.5
---------	---------	---------	------

Source: DAC