

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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FUNCTIONING OF KVKs  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is implementing any programmes to support the functioning of the Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of KVKs functioning in the country;
- (c) the budgetary allocations and expenditure for the KVKs since 2009;
- (d) whether the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) is supporting the functioning of KVKs; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) There are 632 Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) in the country.
- (c) The year-wise details of budgetary allocations and expenditure for the KVKs since 2009 are given in the Annexure.
- (d) Yes, Madam.
- (e) The ICAR is providing 100 percent financial assistance for 16 staff; building infrastructure depending upon its needs including main building, a trainees' hostel, two demonstration units and six residential apartments; fencing and farm development; purchase of vehicles, equipments, implements and instructional aids; and recurring contingencies. Besides, the eight Zonal Project Directorates of ICAR provide technical, administrative and policy guidance, and review and monitor the activities of KVKs.