

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SEED PROCESSING CENTRES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the seed processing centres in the country, State-wise and capacity-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to set up some training centres in rural areas to train the farmers about processing and storage of agricultural seeds;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has taken steps to set up some small seed storage centres in the rural areas; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a): The State-wise details of number of seed processing plants and their total seed processing capacity are at Annexure-I.
- (b) & (c): Government provides training to farmers on seed production under the Seed Village Programme, which includes seed production, processing, storage, etc.
- (d) & (e): Government provides assistance to State Government for construction of seed storage godown @Rs.25 lakh for 1000 metric tons capacity and multiples thereof in proportion to the capacity.