

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SETTING UP OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTES UNIVERSITIES

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of existing Agricultural Research Institutes, Central Agricultural Universities and State Agricultural Universities in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to open more Research Centres/Agricultural Universities in various States of the country including Chhattisgarh;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the details of the criteria/procedure adopted for establishment of new Research Centres/Agricultural Universities; and
- (e) the time by which new Research Centres/Agricultural Universities are likely to be opened?

Answer

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

(a) There are 99 Agricultural Research Institutes including 4 Deemed-to-be Universities under ICAR. Besides, there are one Central Agricultural University and 59 SAUs, 4 Central Universities with agricultural Faculty and 01 Deemed-to-be University. The State-wise distribution is at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): Agriculture including higher agricultural education is a State subject, therefore, setting up of agricultural universities in the States comes under the purview of the respective State Governments. Establishment of Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University in Bundelkhand region is in process. No new research centre is proposed to be established.

(d) An expert committee has been constituted by ICAR to develop guidelines for establishment of Central Agricultural Universities based on regional capabilities in the light of national perspective. Proposals for establishment of Research Institutes/ Centres are initiated based on the recommendations of the Quinquennial Review Team (QRT) and the expert committees set up for the purpose.

(e) During the XII Five Year Plan.