

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ICAR CENTRES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Indian Council of Agriculture Research Centres at Present in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up more such centres during the Eleventh Five Year Plan in the country particularly in West-Bengal;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these centres are likely to be set up and made functional; and
- (d) the funds earmarked and released for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) At present there are 97 centres (Institutes/Bureau/National Research Centres, Project Directorates) of ICAR in the country. State-wise list is annexed.

(b) (c) & (d): During XIth Plan, following new initiatives have been undertaken:-

i. National Institute of Abiotic Stress Management - already established at Baramati, Maharashtra, in the XIth Plan at a total outlay of Rs.73.50 crore. Budget provision of Rs.10 crore has been made during 2009-10.

ii. National Institute of Biotic Stress Management - under process of approval for establishment at Raipur, Chhatisgarh during XI Plan at a total outlay of Rs.145.45 crore.

iii. Indian Institute of Agricultural Biotechnology - under process of approval for establishment at Ranchi, Jharkhand during XI Plan at a total outlay of Rs.430.50 crore.

iv. Central Agricultural University, under process of approval for establishment at Barapani, Meghalaya during XI Plan at a total outlay of Rs.251 crores.

At present ICAR has no plans to set up new centres in West Bengal.