GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of agricultural universities and colleges imparting agricultural education in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up more agricultural universities and colleges in the country including West Bengal;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) the details of the allocation made to these universities and colleges during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (e) the whether allocation made for the purpose has not been utilised properly; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government for proper utilisation of the funds?

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) There are 43 State Agricultural Universities, 01 Central Agricultural University, 05 Deemed University in the field of agriculture.

The State-wise break-up of these Universities is as under:-

Assam (01), Andhra Pradesh (03), Bihar (01), Chhatisgarh (01), Gujarat (04), Haryana (01), Himachal Pradesh (02), Jammu & Kashmir (02), Jharkhand (01), Karnataka (04), Kerala (01), Madhya Pradesh (02), Maharashtra (05), Orissa (01), Punjab (02), Rajasthan (02), Tamil Nadu(02), Uttar Pradesh (04), Uttaranchal (01) and West Bengal (03).

There are 05 Deemed Universities in Delhi (01), Uttar Pradesh (02), Haryana (01) and Maharashtra (01).

There is one Central Agricultural University in Manipur.

Apart from above, ICAR provides limited financial assistance to 04 Central Universities with agricultural faculties located at: Uttar Pradesh (02), West Bengal (01) and Nagaland (01).

- (b) & (c): Setting up of Agricultural University is carried out by respective State Government as agriculture, including higher agricultural education is a State subject. In so far as setting up Central Agricultural University (CAUs) are concerned, there is a CAU already functioning in NEH Region, and an in-principal approval for establishment of CAU at Bundelkhand (Jhansi), Barapani (Meghalaya) and in Bihar by converting the existing SAU.
- (d) The details of the allocation made during each of the last three years, and the current year, are given in the enclosed Annexure-I.
- (e) & (f): The Agricultural Universities have utilized funds for the purpose it was given.