

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3962
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FUNDS FOR ICRISAT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) has requested the Government for more funds;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the allocation made to ICRISAT during each of the last three years and the current year?

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) No, Madam.

(b) & (c): Does not arise.

(d) India has made annual contribution of US \$ 170,500 to ICRISAT for each of the last three years and the current financial years. In additions, project specific funding is also being provided by India to ICRISAT. The details of the allocation for project specific funding to ICRISAT during the last three years are as follows:-

(in million US \$)

2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
0.5	0.6	0.4