

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE TO NCCT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to discontinue the assistance provided to the National Council for Cooperative Training under the Central Sector Scheme; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The Government, while considering continuation of the Central Sector Scheme of Cooperative Education and Training for 11th Five Year Plan inter-alia decided that except Centre for International Cooperation and Training in Agriculture Banking (CICTAB), all other components of the scheme will be provided financial support, as per existing pattern, for first 3 years of 11th Five Year Plan. During 3rd year of 11th Plan, the scheme will be evaluated to assess impact of scheme on beneficiary cooperatives. On the basis of evaluation, further financial support to scheme, if required for remaining two years of 11th Five Year Plan will be considered. The Government also proposes to discontinue assistance under the aforesaid Scheme from 12th Five Year Plan onwards and allow National Council for Cooperative Training (NCCT) to run training activities from interest earnings of the Corpus Fund available with them and income generated by the Institutes from paid programmes.