

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the total number of posts of Scientists lying vacant in various Krishi Vigyan Kendras, State-wise;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to fill up these vacancies;
- (c) whether it is a fact that there is shortage of basic facilities at these Krishi Vigyan Kendras in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) & (b): As per existing norms, there is a provision of one Programme Coordinator and six Subject Matter Specialists in each of the 641 Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs). Out of the total 4487 posts, 1014 posts are vacant in various KVKs. The State-wise details of vacant posts are given in Annexure-I. The posts are filled-up by the host organizations of KVKs. The host organizations have been asked to expedite the process of filling-up of all vacant posts in KVKs on priority.

(c) & (d): Each KVK is provided modest basic facilities depending upon its needs like a main building, trainees' hostel, two demonstration units and residential apart-ments for the staff. The details of basic facilities provided to KVKs upto XI Plan and provision made in XII Plan are given in Annexure-II. Besides, selected KVKs have been provided additional facilities like e-linkages (198); Soil & Water Testing Labs (389); minimal agro-processing facility (20); Demonstration Units on Rain Water Harvesting structure (118); Portable Carp Hatchery (51); Integrated farming system units (50).