

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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SUPPLY OF SPURIOUS SEEDS
Pathak Smt. Riti

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that due to supply of spurious seeds by various agencies, farmers are incurring heavy losses in agricultural production;
- (b) if so, the details of companies/agencies involved in supplying spurious seeds, during the last three years and the current year; and
- (c) the details of the cases filed against spurious seeds suppliers in Karnataka and the value of confiscated seeds for the last two years and the current year?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): A few cases of supply of spurious seeds were reported by the States like Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Telangana. However, there is no report regarding the impact on agricultural production due to such sporadic cases. The overall agricultural production in the country has remained robust during the last three years. Details of complaints of supply of spurious seeds received from the State Governments for the last three years and action taken is at Annexure – I.

(c): Government of Karnataka has reported that no such cases have been filed in last two years or in the current year.