GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1344 ANSWERED ON:28.07.2015 Seed Banks Paswan Shri Chirag

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the seed banks working in the country including Bihar, State-wise;

(b) whether the existing seed banks are adequate to fulfil the need of the farmers;

(c) if so, whether the Government propose to establish new seed banks in the country including Bihar; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

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(a) to (d): 19 Seed Banks in different States, including Bihar are being operated in the country through State Seeds Corporations/State Seed Development Authority, State Department of Agriculture, and through a National Public Sector undertaking namely National Seeds Corporation. The Seed Banks exists in the states of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttarkhand, Uttar Pradesh and Kerala. The existing seed banks are adequate to fulfill the need of farmers.
