

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Setting up of Agriculture Technology Information Centre
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up Agriculture Technology Information Centre in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, location and State-wise including Chhattisgarh; and
- (c) the details of the expenditure made for this purpose during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) had set up 44 Agricultural Technology Information Centres (ATICs) as a part of Innovations in Technology Dissemination (ITD) component of National Agricultural Technology Project (NATP), which was funded by World Bank. These 44 ATICs were set up at technology generating institutions including 28 State Agricultural Universities and 16 ICAR Research Institutes. The location and State-wise details of ATICs including Chhattisgarh are given in the Annexure.

(c) Since the termination of NATP funding in 2003-04, the ICAR has not provided any financial assistance to these ATICs.
