GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3687 ANSWERED ON:05.08.2014 FUND FOR RESEARCH WORK IN AGRICULTURE Ram Mohan Naidu Shri Kinjarapu

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of agriculture development in the country;
- (b) whether the amount of investment on research and development in agriculture sector is not adequate;
- (c) if so, the details of the funds earmarked for incentives/research for development of agriculture during the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to increase the allocation for research and development in agriculture and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE & FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

- (a) Please see Annexure-I.
- (b) The total plan outlay of DARE/ICAR was 12023.00 crore during Xlth Five Year Plan, which was 0.56% of the plan outlay of the country. The same was raised to 25553.00 crore in the XII Five Year Plan which was 0.70% of the total plan outlay of the country.
- (c) The DARE/ICAR does not allocate funds state-wise but sector wise and its schemes are spread all over the states for which the total allocation was as follows:-

2011-12 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 Allocation (RE) 2850.00 2520.00 2600.00 3715.00 (Rs. in crores) Budget Estimate (BE)

(d) The XII Plan working group constituted by Planning Commission had recommended Rs.55,000/- crores as XII Plan Outlay to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education/Indian Council of Agricultural Research (DARE/ICAR) against the XII Plan Outlay proposed by DARE/ICAR to the tune of Rs.57,887.21 crores. The Planning Commission has communicated Rs.25,553.00 crores to DARE/ICAR during XII Plan which is an increase over the XI Plan outlay of Rs.12,023.00 crores.