

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:770
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IMPLEMENTATION OF KUTTANAD PACKAGE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented `Kuttanad Package` in Kerala;
- (b) if so, the salient features thereof along with the components of this project;
- (c) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the irrigation works in Kuttanad are progressing very slow; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the corrective action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

- (a): Yes, Madam. Government had approved a package for development of Kuttanad Wetland Eco-system in July, 2008 at a cost of Rs.1840.75 crore.
- (b): Details are annexed.
- (c): The period of implementation of Kuttanad Package has already ended in July, 2012. The Government of Kerala has not reported that irrigation works in Kuttanad are progressing very slow.
- (d): Does not arise.