

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 12.11.2010
ANSWERED ON
HYBRID SEEDS OF ARHAR DAL .

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Will the Minister of COALCOALCOALCOALCOALAGRICULTURE be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government is aware that Ranchi based Birsa Agriculture University has developed hybrid seeds of Arhar Dal to increase production of Arhar Dal;
- (b) whether it is a fact that agriculture scientists have claimed to double the production of pulses during the seminar held in Delhi under the auspices of Indian Council of Agricultural Research;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the incentives proposed to be provided to the farmers to increase production of pulses in the country?

ANSWER

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MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a) Ranchi based Birsa Agricultural University has not developed hybrid seeds of Arhar, but evaluated the ICPH 2671 hybrid developed by ICRISAT, Hyderabad.
- (b) & (c): No such claim has been made by the scientists to double production of pulses during the seminar held in Delhi.
- (d) The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Government of India provides incentives for the integrated nutrient management including micro-nutrients, lime, gypsum, Rhizobium & PSB, and for integrated management of diseases and pests, weedicides, seeds, machinery and equipments etc. to the farmers to increase the pulse production in country.