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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH & EDUCATION

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BUDGET FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

185. SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government intends to increase the budget for agricultural research and development from existing 0.4 per cent to build in climate change resilience into agriculture;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) : The Budgetary Allocation of Department of Agricultural Research and Education has been increased from Rs.7762.38 Crore in 2020-21 to Rs.8658.89 Crore during 2022-23.

(b) The enhanced budget provision is for carrying agricultural research, education and extension including research on building Indian agriculture resilience to climate change. The Government is investing in developing climate smart technologies for agriculture. The ICAR has developed over 1752 varieties of different crops that are tolerant to different climatic stresses such as drought, flood and heat-waves. Besides, several Government schemes such as Paramparagat Krishi Vikash Yojana; Soil health Card scheme; Neem-coated urea; Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana; etc., aim at making agriculture efficient, productive and resilient to climate change.

(c) Not Applicable.
