

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 13
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02/02/2024

UTILIZATION OF BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2023-24

13. SHRI MOHAMMED NADIMUL HAQUE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has fully utilized the budget allocated for the year 2023-24, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Ministry proposes to enumerate the total amount surrendered in the previous year; and
- (d) the total amount surrendered by the Department of Agriculture Research and Education (DARE) and the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

(a) to (d) Budget utilization is an ongoing process and the financial year 2023-24 is still underway. The ministry is dedicated to ensuring a prudent and efficient expenditure for the remainder of the financial year. During 2022-23, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) which is a part of the Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE) did not utilize an amount of Rs. 82.88 crore, mainly due to non-receipt of necessary records of salary disbursement of State Agricultural Universities on account of 7th CPC pay arrears.
