## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH & EDUCATION

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2097

ANSWERED ON- 09/08/2024

## APPROVAL FOR NEXT-GEN BG-3 COTTON SEEDS

2097. SHRI HARBHAJAN SINGH:

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

- (a) whether Government is working on any proposal for research and approval for next-gen BG-3 cotton seeds considering the increasing pest attacks on cotton crop;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including the budgetary provisions in this regard;
- (c) whether Government has received any request from Government of Punjab to speed up the approval for next-gen BG-3 cotton seeds; and
- (d) if so, the action taken thereon?

## **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY)

- (a) & (b): At present there is no such proposal.
- (c) & (d): No such request has been received from Government of Punjab.

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