

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2211**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2016

**MAINTENANCE OF SOIL TESTING LABORATORIES**

2211. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE ऋदुशुआओ एवं किसान कल्याण ½âââè be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that soil testing process is not being done in the soil testing laboratories in some parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard so far;
- (c) whether repairing and maintenance work of equipments used in the laboratory has been assigned to private voluntary organizations; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to ensure the smooth functioning of such organizations?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

ऋदुशुआओ एवं किसान कल्याण ½âââÈ¼â ½âñâ Àâ¼â ½âââè ( SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) & (b): There is no such type of report on soil testing process not being done in the soil testing laboratories in any part of the country.

(c) & (d): The soil testing laboratories function under State Governments and are maintained by the respective State Governments.