

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2325**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY, 2018

**SEED BANKS**

2325. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the places in Bihar where Government Seed Banks are located along with the current status thereof;
- (b) the number of Government Seed Banks in the country along with the benefits being provided to the farmers through them; and
- (c) the details of annual expenditure being incurred by the Government on Government Seed Banks in the country?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a): There is one seed bank functioning through Bihar Rajya Beej Nigam Limited, Patna at Kudra, Kaimur district in Bihar to supply seeds to the farmers during contingency situations like flood, drought etc. The details of quantity of seeds allotted and maintained in this seed bank under National Seed Reserve during last three years including current year is as under:

Year	Quantity allotted (in quintals)	Quantity maintained (in quintals)
2014-15	6450	6450
2015-16	6550	6550
2016-17	6800	1700
2017-18	5900	5900

(b): There are 22 seed banks functioning in the country including one at the national level with National Seeds Corporation and 21 in different States namely Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. These seed banks supply seeds to the farmers during contingency situations like flood, drought etc.

(c): The details of annual expenditure incurred by the Government on Government Seed Banks in the country during last three years including current year is as under:

Year	Expenditure (Rs. in crore)
2014-15	13.42
2015-16	21.48
2016-17	21.10
2017-18	24.00

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