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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4534 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08/01/2019

HORTICULTURE RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

4534. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

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

- (a) whether the Indian Council of Agriculture Research (ICAR) is setting up a Post Graduate Institute in Horticulture Research and Education (PGIHRE) at Amritsar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the present status of the above Institute at Amritsar; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to expedite completion of the work of PGIHRE at Amritsar?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The Finance Minister, Government of India made an announcement in his Budget Speech 2015-16, presented vide Para 80 of abstract as, 'Honourable Members will remember that in the Budget Speech of July, I had indicated my intention to provide one major Central Institute in each State. In the Fiscal Year 2015-16, ---I also propose to set up a Post Graduate Institute of Horticulture Research and Education in Amritsar'.
- (c) Negotiation meetings with the Officers of Government of Punjab with respect to making land available for the said purpose were held. As soon as the site for the said purpose is finalized, the establishment of PGIHRE at Amritsar, Punjab will be taken up.
- (d) To expedite the process, the Joint Committee comprising Officers of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Government of India and the Government of Punjab constituted for the purpose has visited in the past and again it is due to visit shortly for finalizing the site for establishment of the PGIHRE at Amritsar, Punjab.
