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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2354 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03/12/2019

RESEARCH CENTRE FOR POMEGRANATE

2354. SHRI SHA.BRA.DR.JAI SIDDESHWAR SHIVACHRYA MAHASWAMIJI:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to appoint more scientists in the National Research Centre on Pomegranate at Solapur in Maharashtra as this centre does not have sufficient number of scientists;
- (b) if so, the number of scientists likely to be appointed and the time by which the appointment is likely to be done along with the details thereof; and
- (c) the funds allocated to the said centre during the last three years and the current year, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. In revised cadre strength of Scientists, ICAR has planned to increase sanctioned strength by 12 more scientists for ICAR-National Research on Pomegranate, Solapur thereby raising its strength to 22 from existing 10 scientists.

Recruitment/appointment of Scientists is a continuous process and vacancies are filled up on the basis of specialized qualifications prescribed for a particular scientific post, through an established procedure by the ASRB subject to availability of appropriately qualified candidates in the required areas of specialization.

(c) The funds allocated to the said centre during the last three years and the current year are given below:

Year	BE (Rupees in lakhs)	RE (Rupees in lakhs)
2019-20	873.43	-
2018-19	-	1008.25
2017-18	-	808.34
2016-17	-	940.81
