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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 281 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19/11/2019

ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTRAL AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITIES

281. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to establish new Central Agriculture Universities and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government plans to establish such universities in Uttar Pradesh, and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps undertaken by the Government to upgrade existing facilities in Agriculture Universities such as research labs, modern scientific equipment among others; and
- (d) whether the Government plans to entrust Indian Council of Agricultural Research with regulatory powers over private agriculture colleges/universities and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) There is no such proposal at present.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) provides need based funding support to Agricultural Universities under Plan Scheme "Strengthening and Development of Higher Agricultural Education in India" to upgrade research laboratories, and scientific equipment's, and other infrastructure.
- (d) No, Sir.