

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1414**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2022

**SHORTAGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENTISTS**

1414. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that there is a shortage of agricultural scientists in the research institutes and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that there is a urgent need to develop research institutes/organizations for the growth of agriculture sector;
- (c) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any steps to fill up these vacancies which are still vacant for several years in various States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (d):** Yes, certain number of posts of Agricultural Scientists are vacant in Scientific cadre in Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).

The recruitment to scientific positions is a continuous process and vacancies are filled up through established procedure by the Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board (ASRB) subject to the availability of qualified candidates. The vacancy position is monitored regularly within ICAR and with ASRB for timely selection and deployment of human resource.

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