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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2499 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH DECEMBER, 2024

REGIONAL CENTER OF MAIZE RESEARCH STATION IN KARNATAKA

2499. DR. PRABHA MALLIKARJUN:

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

- (a) whether there are any plans to sanction the regional center of Maize Research Station to the State of Karnataka; and
- (b) if so, whether the Government is considering to sanction the same to Davanagere Lok Sabha constituency as Maize is the predominant crop of the constituency being grown in both rainfed and irrigated conditions, having good infrastructure and Government land for establishing a regional centre?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY)

(a) & (b): Yes. During the XV Finance Commission period (FY 2021-22 to 2025-26), the Indian Institute of Maize Research (IIMR), Ludhiana's Regional Station at Begusarai is approved for shifting to Shivamogga. Maize research activities in Karnataka are also promoted through two centres of All India Coordinated Research Project located in University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Dharwad and UAS, Bangalore at Mandya.
