

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

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 239
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH DECEMBER, 2025

NATIONAL MISSION ON HIGH YIELDING SEED

*239. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether Dr. Rajendra Prasad Agricultural Central University, Pusa, Bihar is covered in the proposal for the National Mission on High Yielding Seed announced at Serial No. 19 in the Budget Speech for 2025-26; and
- (b) the names of crop seeds included in more than 100 seed varieties announced by the Government along with the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) to (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED
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“NATIONAL MISSION ON HIGH YIELDING SEED”**

(a): The Budget Announcement 2025-26 on National Mission on High Yielding Seeds does not mention about the centres including Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa, Bihar. The centres are included based on the consultations with stakeholders and appraisal by central ministries/departments including Department of Expenditure and NITI Ayog. Major focus of research of the Mission is on oilseeds, pulses, and selected other crops.

(b): The 109 varieties were dedicated to the Nation by Hon'ble Prime Minister, which include 69 varieties of 34 field crops [Cereals (23): Rice-9, Wheat - 2, Barley - 1, Maize - 6, Sorghum - 1, Pearl millet - 1, Finger millet - 1, Proso millet - 1, Barnyard millet - 1; Pulses (11): Chickpea -2, Pigeon pea - 2, Lentil - 3, Fieldpea - 1; Fababean -1, Mungbean -2; Oilseeds (7): Safflower - 2, Soybean - 2, Groundnut - 2, Sesame - 1; Forage crops (7): Forage pearl millet - 1, Berseem - 1, Oats - 2; Forage maize - 2, Forage sorghum - 1; Sugar crops (4): Sugarcane - 4; Fibre crops (6): Cotton – 5, Jute -1; Potential crops (11): Buckwheat - 1, Amaranth - 4, Winged bean - 1, Adzuki bean - 1, Pillipesara - 1, Kalingda - 1, Perilla - 2 and 40 varieties of 27 horticultural crops [Fruits (8): Mango - 3, Pomegranate - 1; Guava - 2, Bael - 1, Pummelo - 1; Vegetable crops (8): Tomato - 2, Bottle gourd - 1, Okra – 1, Indian beans - 2, Muskmelan - 1, Water melon - 1; Tuber crops (3): Potato - 3; Spices (6): Netmug - 1, Small cardamom - 2, Fennel - 1, Ajwain - 1, Mango ginger - 1; Plantation crops (6): Cocoa - 2, Cashew - 2; Coconut - 2; Flowers (5): Marigold - 1, Tuberose - 1, Crossandra - 1, Gladiolus - 2; Medicinal plants (4): Velvet Bean - 2, Ashwagandha -1, Mandukaparni – 1]
