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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1539 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08/12/2015

NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE ON INTEGRATED FARMING

1539. KUNWAR BHARATENDRA:

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

(a) the details of the National Research Centre on Integrated Farming (ICAR-NRIF) established at the East Champaran district of Bihar; and

(b) the details of the budgetary allocation made by the Government for establishing the institute as well as its prospective activities?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और कृषक कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) National Research Centre on Integrated Farming (ICAR-NRCIF) was established in the year 2015 to undertake basic, strategic and adaptive research for productive utilization of flooded and flood-prone areas/wetlands in different agro-ecological zones of India through integrated farming system approach ensuring food, nutritional and livelihood security.

(b) An amount of Rs.200.00 lakhs and Rs.2800.00 lakhs has been allocated for 2015-16 and 2016-17 respectively, totaling Rs.3000.00 lakhs during 12^{th} Five Year Plan for establishment of the institute. The prospective activities of the centre are as follows:-

- To develop and demonstrate location-specific and farmer-centric integrated farming system models.
- To act as repository of information and its dissemination on all aspects of integrated farming system.
- To facilitate and promote coordination and dissemination of the technology for integrated farming system models through network/consortia approach involving ICAR institutes, SAUs and other agencies
- To provide scientific leadership and act as a centre for vocational as well as advanced training to promote the technologies related to integrated farming systems.
- To collaborate with relevant national and international agencies in liaison with the state and central government departments for technology dissemination; and
- To provide need-based consultancy and advisory support in promoting farming system models.