

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 308
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1ST DECEMBER, 2015

CULTIVATION OF PULSES

308. SHRI DALPAT SINGH PARASTE:
SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:
SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:

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

- (a) whether there is a lack of interest in the farming community to produce pulses in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether information in regard to cultivation of Crops is being provided to the farmers from time to time through the Krishi Vigyan Kendras;
- (d) if so, whether allocation has been made to all Krishi Vigyan Kendras by the Government for the purpose; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI MOHANBHAI KUNDARIA)

(a) & (b): Farming community is less interested to grow pulses due to their low yield potential, vulnerability to biotic and abiotic stresses, poor price realization etc.

(c): Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) are conducting large number of Front Line Demonstrations (FLDs) on various crops including pulses. During 2015-16, 37910 FLDs of rabi pulses such as lentil, green gram, chick pea, field pea, black gram, rajmash, french bean and pigeon pea are being conducted. KVKs are also providing information to farmers on cultivation of various crops including pulses by conducting training programmes and large number of extension activities.

(d): Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has provided an amount of Rs.11.99 crore on 100% basis to KVKs for conducting FLDs of rabi pulses during 2015-16.

(e): The details of budget allocated to various Agricultural Technology Research Institutes (ATARIs) during 2015-16 is given in **Annexure-I**.

Annexure-I

**ATARI-wise budget approved for Cluster Front Line Demonstrations of
Rabi Pulses-2015-16**

Sl. No.	Implementing Agency	Budget (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	ATARI, Zone-I, Ludhiana	129.12888
2	ATARI, Zone-II, Kolkata	341.94988
3	ATARI, Zone-III, Umain, Meghalaya	99.15788
4	ATARI, Zone-IV, Kanpur	210.65188
5	ATARI, Zone-V, Hyderabad	87.39988
6	ATARI, Zone-VI, Jodhpur	90.05388
7	ATARI, Zone-VII, Jabalpur	184.70388
8	ATARI, Zone-VIII, Bengaluru	55.89988
Total		1198.94604
