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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2789 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15/03/2016

SHORTAGE OF FUNDS FOR RESEARCH INSTITUTES

2789. SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Indian Agriculture Research Institute (IARI) and many other related institutes are facing financial crunch;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the funds sanctioned to IARI and other institutions during the last three years;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to increase the allocation to these institutes and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और कृषक कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

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(a) to (c): On the basis of research priorities and mandate, funds are provided to all the institutes under Crop Science Division including Indian Agriculture Research Institute as per the allocation from the Council. Revised Estimate (RE) of IARI and other institutes (Rs. in crores) under Crop Science Division of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) for last three years are as follows:

Institute/Year	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
IARI	23.90	21.67	38.45
Other	349.11	353.92	456.55
Institutes			

(d) & (e): The proposed Budget Estimate (BE) for the year 2016-17 for Crop Science Division is enhanced by about 5% (Rs. 520 crores), as against Revised Estimate (RE) of Rs. 495 crores for the year 2015-16, keeping in view the demand of the Crop Science Institutes of ICAR.
