

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2965**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2016

**AGRICULTURAL LAND AFFECTED BY CHEMICAL WATER**

2965. SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE **†ãðŠãäÓã** एवं किसान कल्याण  
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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has done any survey to control the damage to agricultural land from the chemical water discharged without treatment from the chemical units in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any data for the said problem in Kheda district in Gujarat, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to protect the agriculture land from the toxic industrial water in Kheda district in Gujarat; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): No specific survey has been done on the damage to agricultural land from chemical water discharge without treatment from the chemical units in the country. There is no data with regard to said problem in Kheda district in Gujarat.

(c) & (d): The Government is implementing Soil Health Management (SHM) to enhance soil testing capacity in the country through setting up / strengthening of Soil Testing Laboratories.

‘Soil Health Card’ (SHC) scheme has been launched in February 2015 to assist State Governments to evaluate fertility in all 14 crore farm holdings and issue soil health cards to farmers regularly in a cycle of 2 years. Soil health cards provide information to farmers on nutrient status of their soil along with recommendations on appropriate dosage of nutrients to be applied for improving soil health and its fertility.

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