

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2754
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02/08/2016

RURAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched Rural Entrepreneurship Development Scheme and if so, whether the said scheme has been made effective presently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives of the said Scheme;
- (c) the amount of scholarship given to each agriculture graduate student under the said scheme;
- (d) whether the Government has also hiked recently various scholarships given for agricultural courses and if so, the details thereof, course-wise;
- (e) the number of agricultural universities functioning in the country at present, State/UT-wise; and
- (f) the various steps taken by the Government to improve the quality of agricultural education in the country?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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(SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA)

- (a) Yes, Madam.

(b) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) under its XII Plan Scheme “Strengthening and Development of Higher Agricultural Education in India” has initiated a programme of ‘Student READY’ (Rural Entrepreneurship and Awareness Yojana). The programme aims to provide entrepreneurship awareness, practical experience in real – life situation in rural agriculture and creating awareness among undergraduate students for initiating a better career in agriculture sector.

The programme is being implemented from academic session 2016-17.

(c) Each student is entitled for stipend of Rs. 3000/- per month for maximum of six months during the Student READY programme.

(d) The National Talent Scholarship (NTS) given to the students admitted through All India Entrance Exam, in the agricultural Universities outside their state of domicile has been hiked to Rs. 2000/- month for the UG students from the existing 1000/- month for the duration of the study and NTS for the PG students (new initiative) taking admission through AIEEA-PG in the agricultural universities outside their state of domicile has been initiated @Rs. 3000/- month for the duration of the course.

A notification of the revised rates of fellowship/scholarship for ICAR-SRF (PGS) and Institute scholarship of ICAR Deemed-to-be Universities for pursuing Ph.D. has been issued vide Council’s O.M. No. Edn/6-12/2007-A&P dated 03.02.2015 (Details enclosed) (**Annexure – I**).

(e) At present there are 73 Agricultural Universities (AUs) including 05 Deemed-to-be universities, 02 Central Agricultural Universities, 04 Central Universities with agriculture faculty. The State/UT –wise list of AUs is annexed (**Annexure II**).

(f) (i) Accreditation of agricultural universities is being done to ensure the minimum standards of Agricultural Education in agricultural universities.

(ii) For maintaining and upgrading quality and relevance of higher agricultural education, a centrally sponsored plan scheme “Strengthening and Development of Higher Agricultural Education in India”, is being implemented. The scheme strives to plan, undertake, aid, promote and coordinate agricultural education in the country with an aim to enhance the quality and relevance of higher agricultural education to address the emerging challenges in the agriculture sector. Limited financial support is provided to agricultural universities (AUs), for strengthening of infrastructure pertaining to student amenities, learning resources strengthening of curriculum delivery, holistic development of students, capacity building of faculty, Niche Area of Excellence, Experiential Learning modules for skill development, Rural Agricultural Work Experience, as well as various other facilities by providing development grant, revision of course curricula as per changing needs.

(iii) Netaji Subhash International fellowship is provided for international exposure to faculty and students.

Revised rates of emoluments of ICAR Senior Research Fellowships (SRFs) and Institute Scholarship of ICAR Deemed-to-be Universities for pursuing Ph.D. :

Fellowship/Scholarship		Existing rates	Revised rates
1.	ICAR Senior Research Fellowship for pursuing Ph.D. degree		
a.	All disciplines other than Vety. Science	Rs. 12000/- p.m. for 1 st & 2 nd year + contingency grant @ Rs. 10000/- per year. Rs. 14000/- p.m. for 3 rd year + contingency grant @ Rs. 10000/- per year.	Rs. 15000/- p.m. for 1 st & 2 nd year + contingency grant @ Rs. 10000/- per year. Rs. 17500/- p.m. for 3 rd year + contingency grant @ Rs. 10000/- per year.
b.	Veterinary Science	Rs. 14000/- p.m. for 1 st & 2 nd year + contingency grant @ Rs. 10000/- per year. Rs. 15000/- p.m. for 3 rd year + contingency grant @ Rs. 10000/- per year.	Rs. 17500/- p.m. for 1 st & 2 nd year + contingency grant @ Rs. 10000/- per year. Rs. 18750/- p.m. for 3 rd year + contingency grant @ Rs. 10000/- per year.
2.	Institute Scholarship of ICAR Deemed-to-be Universities		
	For pursuing Ph.D.	Rs. 10500/- per month	Rs. 13125/- per month

The revised rates are effective from 01.02.2013.

**List of State Agricultural University/ Central Agricultural University/ICAR Deemed University/
Central University with agricultural faculty State wise Agricultural Universities.**

Andhra Pradesh	
1.	Acharya N. G. Ranga Agricultural University, Hyderabad
2.	Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University, Tirupati
3.	Dr. Y.S.R. Horticultural University, Venkataramannagudem, West Godavari
Assam	
4.	Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat
Bihar	
5.	Rajendra Agricultural University, Pusa, Samstipur
6.	Bihar Agricultural University, Sabour, Bhagalpur
Chhattisgarh	
7.	Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, Krishak Nagar
8.	Chhatisgarh Kamdhenu Vishwavidyalaya, Durg, Chhatisgarh
Delhi	
	(ICAR Deemed University)
9	Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Pusa,
Gujarat	
10.	Anand Agricultural University, Anand
11.	Junagadh Agricultural University, Junagadh
12.	Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari
13.	Sardarkrushingar-Dantiwada Agricultural University Sardarkrushinagar, Dantiwada
14.	Kamdhenu University, Gandhi Nagar Campus Office, Podium Level, M Floor, Sector 10-1, Gandhinagar
Haryana	
15.	CCS Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar
16.	Lala Lajpat Rai University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences ,
	(ICAR Deemed University)
17.	National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal
Himachal Pradesh	
18.	CSK HP Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, Palampur
19.	Dr Y S Parmar University of Horticulture & Forestry, Nauni, Solan
Manipur	
	Central Agricultural University
20.	Central Agricultural University, Imphal

Jammu and Kashmir	
21.	Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology Jammu
22.	Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology, Srinagar
Jharkhand	
23.	Birsa Agricultural University, Kanke, Ranchi
Karnataka	
24.	University of Agricultural Sciences, Raichur
25.	University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore
26.	University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad
27.	University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot
28.	Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar
29.	University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Navile, Shimoga
Kerala	
30.	Kerala Agricultural University, Thrissur
31.	Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, Papangad, Kochi
32.	Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Lakkidi, P.O. Wayanand
Madhya Pradesh	
33.	Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, Krishi Nagar, Adhartal, Jabalpur
34.	Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Krishi Vidhyalaya, Race Course Road, Gwalior
35.	Madhya Pradesh Pashu Chikitsa Vigyan Vishwavidyalaya, Jabalpur
Maharashtra	
36.	Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Krishi Nagar, Akola
37.	Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dist. Ahmednagar, Rahuri
38.	Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth , Ratnagiri, Dapoli
39.	V.N. Marathwada Agricultural University , Parbhani
40.	Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University, Seminary Hills, Nagpur
	(ICAR Deemed University)
41.	Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Panch Marg, Off Yari Road, Andheri (West), Mumbai
Nagaland	
	Central University with agricultural faculty
42.	Nagaland University, Lumani, Medziphena
Orissa	
43.	Orissa University of Agriculture & Technology, Bhubaneswar
Punjab	
44.	Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana
45.	Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Ludhiana
Rajasthan	
46.	Swami Keshwanand Rajasthan Agricultural University , Bikaner
47.	Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture & Technology, Udaipur

48.	Rajasthan University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Bikaner
49.	Sri Karan Narendra Agricultural University, Jobneer, Jaipur
50.	Agriculture University, Jodhpur, Mandor, Jodhpur
51.	Agriculture University Kota, Borkhera, Kota
Tamil Nadu	
52.	Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore
53.	Tamil Nadu University Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Chennai
54.	Tamil Nadu Fisheries University, First Line Beach Road, Nagapattinam
Telangana	
55.	Sri Konda Laxman Telangana State Horticultural University, HQ at Rajendra Nagar Campus, Hyderabad
56.	Professor Jayashankar Agriculture University, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad
57.	Sri P.V. Narsimha Rao Telangana State University for Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad
Uttar Pradesh	
58.	Narendra Deva University of Agriculture & Technology, Kumarganj, Faizabad
59.	Chandra Sekhar Azad University of Agriculture & Technology, Kanpur
60.	UP Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Pashu Chikitsa Vigyan Viswa Vidyalaya Evam Go Anusandhan Sansthan, Mathura
61.	Sardar Ballabh Bhai Patel University of Agriculture & Technology Roorkee Road, Modipuram, Meerut
62.	Manyavar Shri Kanshiram Ji University of Agril. & Technology, Banda
Deemed University	
63.	Sam Higginbottom Institute of Agriculture Sciences & Technology, Allahabad
Central Agricultural University	
64.	Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University, Jhansi
Central University with agricultural faculty	
65.	Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
66.	Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh
(ICAR Deemed University)	
67.	Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar
Uttarakhand	
68.	GB Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, Pantnagar
69.	Uttarakhand University of Horticulture and Forestry, Bharsar, Pauri Garhwal
West Bengal	
70.	Bidhan Chandra Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, Mohanpur, Nadia
71.	Uttar Banga Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, PO Pundbari, Cooch Behar
72.	West Bengal University of Animal & Fishery Sciences, Kolkata
Central University with agricultural faculty	
73.	Vishwa Bharti, Birbhum Distri, Shantiniketan
