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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 381 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19/07/2016

SETTING UP OF KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRAS

381. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

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

(a) whether the Union Government has received demands from various States to set up more Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) in their States, if so, the steps taken by the Union Government thereon; and

(b) whether the Government is considering to create awareness among farmers to cultivate agricultural produce according to the climate and soil conditions of the area through various ways, 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 SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) Yes, Madam. In view of demand from various States for Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), the Government has approved for setting-up of 106 more KVKs in the country during 12th Plan.

(b) Yes, Madam. Based on the location specific information on soils, climate, cultivation techniques and socio-economic conditions Contingency plans for 614 districts of 25 states have been prepared. Suitable crops and varieties, soil and water conservation measures and cultural practices under different geographical conditions of the districts are also recommended in the District Contingency Plans. Awareness of these plans is disseminated through farmers-scientists interface meetings, trainings, demonstrations, exhibitions and mass media campaigns. Presently, such plans are demonstrated by taking one representative village in each of 130 vulnerable districts. Monsoon Action Plan 2016-a village level contingency plan for climate resilient agriculture has also been prepared in collaboration with 121 Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) under Technology Demonstration Component (TDC) of National Innovations on Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA).