

Regarding affiliation of Krishi Vigyan Kendras in Jhansi and Lalitpur districts with Rani Lakshmi Bai Agricultural University, Jhansi-Laid

SHRI ANURAG SHARMA (JHANSI): I would like to bring to the attention of the Government that my Parliamentary Constituency comprises the Jhansi and Lalitpur districts. The primary livelihood of the residents in these districts is agriculture. However, due to traditional farming methods and adverse weather conditions, farming has become an unprofitable venture, forcing many to abandon it and migrate elsewhere. In line with the Hon'ble Prime Minister's mission to double farmers' income, all responsible parties are making efforts within their capacities. To enhance agricultural practices and improve the economic conditions of farmers, Rani Lakshmi Bai Agricultural University was established in Jhansi. Additionally, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) in New Delhi has set up Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) at the district level. Accordingly, Krishi Vigyan Kendra Bharari in Jhansi and Krishi Vigyan Kendra Khiriya in Lalitpur were established. However, both KVKs are currently affiliated with Banda Agricultural University, which means the farmers of both districts cannot fully benefit from Rani Lakshmi Bai Agricultural University, Jhansi. Therefore, I respectfully request that Krishi Vigyan Kendra Bharari, Jhansi district, and Krishi Vigyan Kendra Khiriya, Lalitpur district, be affiliated with Rani Lakshmi Bai Agricultural University, Jhansi.