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AGRICULTURE INFORMATION CENTRE
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to set up an Agriculture Information Centre in order to provide whether related information to farmers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether setting up of such an Agriculture Information Centre is planned in the Aurangabad district of Maharashtra; and
- (d) if so, the time likely to be taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT)

- (a) No Sir,
- (b) In view of (a) above, does not arise Sir.

However, providing weather related information to farmers is taken care of by India Meteorological Department (IMD) through biweekly Agrometeorological Advisory Service (AAS) Bulletins and the National Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasting (NCMRWF) under Department of Science & Technology through Agromet Advisory Service Units.

- (b) No, Sir. However, Aurangabad district of Maharashtra is covered by the existing services provided by IMD and NCMRW .
- (d) In view of (a), (b) & (c) above, does not arise, Sir.