

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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INFRASTRUCTURAL FACILITIES FOR KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRAS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether out of 585 districts in the country 238 districts are yet to be converted with the Krishi Vigyan Kendras;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the number of Krishi Vigyan Kendras where infrastructural facilities like office building, hostel, staff quarter etc. are yet to be developed; and
- (d) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to provide infrastructural facilities for KVKs?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

- (a)&(b): At present there are 578 rural districts in the country. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research has sanctioned Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK) in 341 districts. This includes 53 Zonal Agricultural Research Stations that have been strengthened to work as KVKs. A proposal for establishment of KVKs in the remaining 237 districts has also been prepared for Xth Plan.
- (c) Complete infrastructure has not been completed in 43 KVKs.
- (d) Provision of necessary funds have been proposed under the Xth Plan.