

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6882
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BIOTECHNOLOGY BASED PROGRAMMES
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the programmes/schemes run by the Government under the biotechnology based programmes for the SCs/STs and weaker sections and the criteria for providing loans, grants and other financial assistance for the same;
- (b) the names of the agencies through which the programmes are being run and the amount shared by the State Governments; and
- (c) the names of the programmes being run in Rajasthan during the last three years and the agencies through which these programmes are being run along with the year-wise, programme-wise and agency-wise details of the funds provided in the form of loan, grants and financial assistance?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

- (a) The Department of Biotechnology provides grant for demonstration and training projects to benefit SC/ST people, women and rural population and farming community under the biotech based programmes for societal development. The major criteria for support are credibility and proven track record of the implementing agency, scientific and technical expertise required for implementing the project and the proposed benefits to the target group. The proposals are peer reviewed by experts and later placed before a Task Force of experts for final recommendation.
- (b) The projects are being funded at universities, R&D institutions, Govt. institutions, autonomous and national institutes, colleges, NGOs and charitable trusts etc. As such, there is no requirement that the state government should share the grant amount.
- (c) The projects supported in Rajasthan under the SC/ST scheme are:

(Rupees in lakh)

Sl.No.	Project Title/Agency	Sanctioned	Total	Release	Total		
	date	Amount	Release				
	sanctioned	I	II	III			
1.	`Vermicompost for SC/ST/BPL population in Alwar District` to Indian Institute of Rural Development, Jaipur	22.02.2000	17.11	6.20	3.205	0.00	9.405
2	`Large Scale Production of Vermicompost and its use on economically important crops especially rose and seed spices and forest trees etc. involving SC/ST population of certain district of Rajasthan` to Indian Institute of Rural Development, A-11, Mahaveer Udyan Path, Jaipur - 302015	20.02.2002	67.20	19.40	12.578	0.00	31.978
3.	`Production and promotion of enriched organic manures	01.11.2004	9.49	2.88	0.00	0.00	2.88

and their effect on
productivity of major crops`
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