

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF OILSEEDS AND PULSES IN MADHYA PRADESH
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a proposal of Rs.108.15 crore to increase the production of oilseeds and pulses in the Bundelkhand area of Madhya Pradesh with Japanese assistance has been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh on 09 June, 2005;
- (b) if so, the present status of the proposal;
- (c) the time by which the said scheme is likely to be implemented;
- (d) whether a proposal for setting up of two centres for research on spices has also been sent to the Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR) by the State on 16 June, 2004;
- (e) if so, the action taken on this proposal so far; and
- (f) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be sanctioned?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

- (a) to (c): The proposed project is for funding by the Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and has been sent to Department of Economic Affairs for posing to the donor agencies.
- (d) to (f): The Vice Chancellor Jawahar Lal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya Jabalpur had requested ICAR for opening new centres of research on Garlic, Coriander and Fenugreek at Mandsaur and Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh. The proposals were examined in the Council and it is reported that there are 20 Centres under All India Coordinated Research Project on Spices (AICRPS), distributed all over the Country, including centres at Jobner, Ajmer and Raigarh, which fall in similar agri-ecological conditions as prevailing in Mandsuar and Gwalior. ICAR authorities accordingly feel that the proposed new centres are not justified.