

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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WORLD BANK FUND IN ASSAM  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether World Bank while reviewing the implementation of the World Bank funded Assam Agricultural Competitiveness Project (AAP), has observed that 'Although the project has achieved a lot', in increasing the volume of agricultural, production and productivity of the land, there was no proportionate increase in the income of farmers;

(b) if so, the reasons, if any identified for failure to increase the farmers' income; and

(c) the steps taken and being taken by the Government to ensure increase in farmers' income in proportion to increase in agricultural yield and productivity?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): No such observation has been made by the World Bank while reviewing the Assam Agricultural Competitiveness Project (AAP) in September 2005. This is a new project which became effective from 14.2.2005. During the first year only preparatory activities have been taken up.