

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1661  
ANSWERED ON:07.08.2006  
PASTURE DEVELOPMENT IN MADHYA PRADESH  
Singh Dr. Ram Lakhan

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a proposal has been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh relating to Pasture Development Scheme to encourage pasture development in the State;
- (b) if so, the details and estimated cost thereof; and
- (c) the action being taken on the proposal and the time by which the amount is likely to be released?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The proposal envisages development of grassland in 530 hectares of land at an estimated cost of Rs.391.28 lakhs.

(c): As per guidelines of the Centrally Sponsored Fodder Development Scheme, the State Government should utilize the Central grant released earlier up to 2004-05 before the Department considers their new proposal. The State Government of Madhya Pradesh has been advised to refund the Central grant of Rs.40 lakhs released in 1992-93 and lying unutilized, before consideration of the new proposal.