

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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ACTIVITIES OF ICAR IN TAMIL NADU  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of activities of ICAR in Tamil Nadu during the last three years;
- (b) whether the ICAR has undertaken any research/study for the development of paddy and sugarcane during the last three years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the steps taken by the Union Government to help the Tamil Nadu Government for improvement of agricultural and horticultural production in the State;
- (e) whether the ICAR has received sufficient fund from the Union Government for its activities in the Tamil Nadu; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) The research activities of ICAR in agriculture and allied subjects are being carried out by Institutes, National Research Centre and Regional Stations located in Tamil Nadu. The ICAR also provides assistance in imparting agricultural education through State Agricultural and Veterinary and Animal Sciences Universities. Activities related to refinement of technology and front line demonstration are being carried out by Krishi Vigyan Kendras established by the ICAR in various districts of Tamil Nadu.

(b) & (c): Yes, Sir. The details are given in Annexure – I.

(d) As given in (a) & (b) above.

(e) & (f): Yes, Sir. As per the prioritization and reorientation of Agricultural Research, the funds allocated from the Planning Commission are sufficient to undertake research, extension and education activities of the Council in Tamil Nadu.

ANNEXURE – I

THE DETAILS OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH UNDERTAKEN IN TAMIL NADU FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PADDY AND SUGARCANE

Paddy : The research related to Paddy is conducted under All India Coordinated Project on Rice at 2 centres namely Adhthrai and Coimbatore. Some of the important varieties / hybrids of rice released for Tamil Nadu during last three years are as follows:-

(i) ADT (R) 45 - For direct sown and transplanted conditions

(ii) TRY (R) 2 - For saline & alkaline areas

(iii) Dhanrasi - For shallow lowland

(iv) RH 204 (Hybrid) - For irrigated condition

(v) CORH 2 (Hybrid) - -do-

(vi) ADTRH 1 (Hybrid) - -do-

(vii) PHB 71 (Hybrid) - -do-

Sugarcane : Research establishments related to sugarcane in Tamil nadu have been conducting basic, strategic and applied research relating to sugarcane improvement, production and protection. This is supplemented by on-farm verification of promising technologies developed. Important activities undertaken during the last three years for development of sugarcane include:-

- Supply of 134.60 tonnes of seed material of promising varieties (21 Nos.) to 15 sugar factories in Tamil Nadu.
- Supply of tissue culture raised material for benefit of sugarcane entrepreneurs.
- Identification / development / supply of 96 Co-canes for multi-location testing.
- Supplying fluff for seedling raising and selecting desirable genotypes by the research centres.
- Varieties notified by Government of India for commercial cultivation in Tamil Nadu:

Co 85004, Co 86032, Co 86249, Co 87025 and Co 91010.