

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:764
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SUBSIDY ON AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide agricultural equipments to the farmers at subsidized rates;
- (b) if so, the funds allocated therefor during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the agricultural equipments worth crores of rupees brought under the scheme have not been utilized in some States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the directions issued to State Governments for its proper utilization?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir. The Government is providing agricultural equipments to farmers at subsidized rates under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Macro Management of Agriculture on the basis of State Annual Work Plans approved by Department of Agriculture & Cooperation.

(b): A Statement indicating the approved financial outlay for this purpose from 2003- 04 to 2006-07 is Annexed.

(c)&(d): The equipments are being procured and distributed to the beneficiary farmers by the respective States against the approved Annual Work Plans. The Department has not received any report in regard to their non-utilization.