GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1012 ANSWERED ON:20.08.2007 AGRICULTURAL FARMS Gaddigoudar Shri P.C.

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether most of the Agricultural farms operated by the Union Government in Karnataka are running in losses; and
- (b) if so, the remedial measures taken to overcome such loss?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. Central State Farm at Jawalgera in Sindhur Taluk of Raichur District, Karnataka is running on losses for want of required irrigation facilities. However, in addition to seed production in the farm, pulses seed production has also been started in nearby farmers` fields, to share some of the over-head expenses and to generate additional income. Improvement of irrigation infrastructure, lining of water courses, construction of water tanks, leveling of fields and purchase of machinery to bring additional area under crops is under consideration.