

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND TEACHING  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Indian Council of Agricultural Research has sought more funds from the Government for Agricultural Research and Teaching;
- (b) if so, the details of funds required;
- (c) whether the shortage of funds has adversely affected agricultural production; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to release the necessary funds, State-wise?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The DARE/ICAR has sought Rs.1900 crore under the Annual Plan for the year 2005-06. The Planning Commission/Ministry of Finance have allocated Rs.1150 crore under the Plan and Rs.792 crore under Non-Plan.
- (c) ICAR has prioritized its agricultural research to address the emerging issues so that the shortage of funds may not adversely affect the present level of agricultural production.
- (d) ICAR does not release funds to any State Government. However, the funds are released to the ICAR Institutes and State Agricultural Universities, directly, located in different States of the Country.