

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE TO AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH CENTRES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of agricultural research centres run with the financial assistance from the Government;
- (b) the total funds utilised by these agricultural research centres in Central Agricultural Universities and other universities;
- (c) the number of agricultural scientists produced by such Universities;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that most of the scientists produced by these universities left their jobs and went abroad instead of working in Indian Universities/ laboratories; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor along with the remedial measures taken by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE & FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) & (b): Under the Plan Scheme, "Strengthening and Development of Higher Agricultural Education in India" the ICAR funds agricultural universities for infrastructural development and no research centres are funded, as such.

Indian Council of Agricultural Research provided an outlay of Rs.413.50 crore in 2012-13 and Rs.395.40 crore in 2013-14 to Agricultural Universities, including the Central Agricultural University in the country under the above mentioned Plan scheme.

(c) According to the study conducted in 2011 under the National Agricultural Innovation Project (NAIP), the number of students eligible to become agricultural scientists, passing out from agriculture universities in the country during each of the previous three academic years was as under:

Sl. No.	Pass	Bachelors	Masters	Doctoral	Total
Year	Degree	Degree	Degree		
1. 2008	11840	5284	1209		18333
2. 2009	12716	4748	1136		18600
3. 2010	14570	5308	952		20830

Data of Agricultural Universities (AUs) only. Data of Colleges outside AUs not included

- (d) No, Madam. No such information is indicated in the said report.
- (e) Question does not arise.