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(b) if so, what are reasons for long delay in setting up the projects; and

(c) by when these projects would be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) No, Sir. There has been no such proposal.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Institutes under Agriculture Research

†3525. **SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that agricultural research system set-up in the country is of largest size in the world;

(b) if not, the number of institutes under this system alongwith the number of employees and researchers thereof, separately; and

(c) the annual expenditure thereof alongwith success achieved by each institute during the last three years in research etc. by each institute?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No. of Institutes 89 No. of Employees 30294 (Scientists 5054 Technicians 8223 + Administrative 5050 Supporting Staff 11967).

(c) The details of expenditure and research achievement are given in the Annexure. [See Appendix 189, Annexure No. 88]

Finance Facility for Crop Production

3526. **SHRI ANIL SHARMA:** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have the proposal under their consideration that the finance facility to poor farmers of Himachal Pradesh on the lines of the north east states, be given for their crop production;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.