

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHARAN DAS MAHANT): (a) to (c) Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries has altogether received 11 project proposals from State Government of Bihar. Out of these, six projects have been approved as shown in the table below:

Project	District covered	Approved outlay (Rs in lakh)	Status
I	Bettiah	158.61	Completed
II	Purnea, Katihar, Kishanganj and Araria	344.50	Completed
III	Kaimur	67.25	On-going
IV	Madhubani	66.30	Completed
V	Nalanda	333.33	Completed
VI	Madhepura, Saharsa and Supaul	279.78	On-going
		1249.77	

Details of the remaining five proposals in pipeline are as under:

Proposal	District Proposed to cover	Present Status
VII	Sitamarhi, East Champaran, West Champaran, Sheohar, Gopalganj and Siwan	The proposals have been received in the Department on 24.02.2012
VIII	Bhojpur, Buxar, Rohtas and Kaimur	
IX	Khagaria	
X	Saran and Shekhpura	
XI	Darbhanga	

The proposals were not submitted to the Project Sanctioning Committee for want of fund during 2011-12.

#### **National farm innovator's meet**

3903. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ICAR had organized a National Farm Innovators' Meet in 2010;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the main objective of the Meet?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) had organized a National Farm Innovators Meet in 2010 at Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Suttur, District Mysore, Karnataka during 12-13 November, 2010 with participation of 221 farmers from 25 States across the country. The technical programme of the meet included oral presentation by farmers on their innovations and display of 196 farmers innovations, through posters and live specimens.

(c) The main objective of the Meet was to give a scientific recognition to farmers' innovations and provide them opportunity to share their experiences with other farmers and scientists across the country.

#### **Development of innovations into technologies**

3904. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that farmers' innovations are documented by ICAR;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of such innovations documented so far; and
- (d) the number of such innovations developed into technologies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has documented the profile of innovation farmers along with brief of their innovations in the form of publications. So far six publications have been brought out covering 441 innovations.

(d) Most of the farmers innovations are very specific to the existing farming situations of the innovator farmers. Therefore, conversion of these innovations into useable/appropriate technologies based on scientific rationality and validation through on-farm and field research trials is a time consuming process and is presently underway.