

(Area in Lakh ha.)		
Year	Cultivable land area	Net sown area
2000-01	8.08	7.70
2001-02	8.12	7.76
2002-03	8.00	7.59
2003-04	8.04	7.61
2004-05	8.08	7.67
2005-06	8.09	7.68
2006-07	8.09	7.65
2007-08	7.91	7.55
2008-09	7.89	7.54
2009-10	7.75	7.41

Source: Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation.

(b) to (d) No proposal for alternative farming has so far been received from State Government of Uttarakhand. However, Government of India in consultation with Ministry of Environment and Forest is advocating use of traditional/chemical repellents, trenches, live/solar electric fencing, social fencing and other innovative methods under various agriculture development schemes to reduce the damage to crops caused by wild animals like blue bulls, monkeys, elephants, etc. Uttarakhand is implementing various crop development programmes like National Food Security Mission, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana, Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States and Macro Management Mode of Agriculture to enhance the production and productivity of food grains, cash crops and horticulture crops. As a result of these efforts production of foodgrains increased by 10.67 %, Oilseeds by 117 % in 2011-12 over 2000-01 in the State of Uttarakhand.

#### **Establishment of new Central Universities**

†\*190. SHRI RASHEED MASOOD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of States where Central Universities are proposed to be established;

(b) by when these new Universities are scheduled to be made functional;

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(c) the number of Universities proposed to be established in Uttar Pradesh, and by when; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) Bihar and Uttar Pradesh.

(b) The University can become functional only when legislation to that effect is passed by both the Houses of the Parliament.

(c) One.

(d) In view of (c) above, the question does not arise.

#### **Reservation for students in Central Universities**

†\*191. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Universities opened by Government, till date, keeping in view the development of education;

(b) whether facility of category-wise reservation has been provided to students of the entire country studying in these universities; and

(c) if so, the details of percentage of reservation extended to the students of SC, ST and OBC categories, separately, during the last three years, university-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) There are 40 Central Universities under the purview of this Ministry.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) As per the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), the percentage of reservation provided to students enrolled in the 39 Central Universities funded by it, are given, University-wise for the last three years, in Statement (See below).

Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) has informed that it follows category-wise reservation as per the Government's policy for admission of students in academic programmes where there is restriction on number of seats. Details are included in the Annexure referred above. In all other academic programmes, where there is no restriction on number of seats, all applicants are admitted and hence no reservation system is required to be followed.

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