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30.	Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Mohanpur	West Bengal	West Bengal
31.	Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Coochbehar	West Bengal	
32.	West Bengal University of Animal and Fishery Sciences, Kolkata	West Bengal	

*Central University*

Sl. No.	University along with Location of their Head Quarter	State	Target tribal Districts of State/UT
1.	Dr Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Samastipur	Bihar	Bihar and other areas
2.	Central Agricultural University, Imphal	Manipur	North Eastern Region
3.	Nagaland University, Nagaland	Nagaland	North Eastern Region

**Allocation of funds for research in new farming techniques**

1298. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds allocated by Government for agricultural research to adopt new farming techniques;

(b) the initiatives taken by Government in this regard; and

(c) in what manner Government impart the knowledge about new farming techniques to farmers and what has been the role of the project for Attracting and Retaining Youth in Agriculture (ARYA) in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT): (a) and (b) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has taken up the initiative of establishment of Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) for transfer of new farming techniques and agricultural technologies generated by ICAR Institutes and Agricultural Universities for adoption in farmer's field. An amount of ₹ 877.65 crore has been earmarked for KVK scheme during the current year.

(c) The KVKs impart knowledge about new farming technologies to farmers by conducting training programmes. The role of the project for Attracting and Retaining Youth in Agriculture (ARYA) include skill development in entrepreneurial activities and establishment of related micro-enterprise units in the area of Apiary, Mushroom, Seed Processing, Soil testing, Poultry, Dairy, Goatary, Carp-hatchery, Vermi-compost etc. During the current year 3242 youths have been provided entrepreneurship training for starting their micro enterprise units through 25 KVKs in the country.

**Bringing Gram Products under the purview of NFSA**

1299. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether 10th Global Agriculture Leadership Summit 2017 had been convened at New Delhi by National Council of Food and Agriculture recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is a fact that during the deliberations of the Summit the members had endorsed to bring the Gram products under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT): (a) to (c) The Indian Council of Food and Agriculture, New Delhi had convened 10th Global Agriculture Leadership Summit and Awards on 5-6th September, 2017 in New Delhi. No such recommendation to bring the Gram products under the National Food Security Act (NFSA) was made in the Summit. Moreover, gram products are not covered under the Act nor is there any proposal for its inclusion.

**Deployment of ICAR scientists for non-scientific works**

1300. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of scientists working in the research institutes of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) have been deployed for other non-scientific works;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when, such scientists are likely to be re-deployed for research work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT): (a) and (b) Sir,