## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH & EDUCATION

# RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2256

ANSWERED ON- 17/12/2021

#### SALE OUTLETS AT ICAR AND OTHER RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

#### 2256. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR) and other similar research institutions in the country have proper mechanism for sale of developed seeds of cereals, oilseeds and vegetables and saplings of fruits to the genuine farmers who visit these institutions since most of the time there are hardly any seeds or sapling available for sale; and
- (b) if so, whether Government would ensure that such research institutions maintain sales outlets and keep in stock the high yield and disease-resistant varieties of seeds and saplings around the year?

### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI KAILASH CHOUDHARY)

(a) and (b): All the concerned Research Institutions under Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) in the country have proper mechanism for sale of the developed seeds of cereals, oilseeds, vegetables and saplings of fruits through their sale counters, to farmers visiting these Institutions.

Under ICAR-All India Coordinated Research Project on National Seed Project (Crops) and ICAR Seed Project, National Agricultural Research System (NARS) including the ICAR Institutes and Central and State Agricultural Universities under the aegis of ICAR have created seed sale counters for easy access to quality seeds by the farmers and maintain adequate stock of high yielding and disease resistant varieties of seeds and saplings according to the season.

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