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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) DARE/ICAR has proposed Rs. 15,000 crores as X Plan outlay for agricultural research including biotechnology. In addition to this Rs. 1000 crores has been proposed as catch up grant during X Plan.

DARE/ICAR has also proposed Rs. 520 crores including Rs. 300 crores for research in agricultural biotechnology during 2002-2003. However, no separate proposal has been made for additional funds from Planning Commission for research to find gene structure in pulses and other foodgrains.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Planning Commission has communicated Rs. 4800 crores as X Plan outlay and Rs. 775 crores for the Annual Plan 2002-03.

Central Agriculture University at Imphal

3956. SHRI RISHANG KEISHING : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Central Agriculture University has been established for the North Eastern States with principle Centre at Imphal, Manipur;

(b) if so, the progress of the university as on date; and

(c) the steps being taken for further improvement of the university;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) I. College of agriculture Imphal, Manipur Estt. in 1993. 230 B.Sc. and 69 M.Sc. candidates passed out M.Sc. (Ag.) programme in six subjects is being run.

2. College of Vety. Sciences & A.H. Aizawal Mizoram established on 22.10.98, newly constructed campus inaugurated on 17-10-2001. 61 candidates are on roll at Undergraduate level. 1st batch of Undergraduate level to pass out in Jan., 2003.

3. College of Fisheries Lembuchera Tripura Estt. on 6.11.98 and 42 candidates are entolled to Undergraduate programme & 1st batch of Undergraduates likely to pass out in Aug., 2002.

4. College of Horticulture, Pasighat Arunachal Pradesh Estt. in 2001 and 29 candidates have been enrolled.

5. College of Home Science Tura, Meghalaya (yet to be established).

6. College of Agril. Engg. Sikkim (yet to be established).

7. College of P.G. Studies Barapani, Meghalaya (dropped in IX Plan EFC).

(c) College of Home Science Tura, Meghalaya and College of Agril. Engg. Sikkim, efforts have been made for the establishment of these Colleges at par with other Universities of the Country.

DMS Losses

3957. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that actual deficit and loss of D.M.S. is very high, if calculated on actual receipt and expenditure;

(b) if so, the details of the deficit and losses for the last two financial years, based on actual receipt and expenditure including due payments;

(c) whether it is a fact that mismanagement, and corruption is the main cause of losses; and

(d) if so, the details of corruption complaints and action taken thereon during the last two years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) and (b) Calculated on the basis of actual receipts and expenditure, the details of deficit of DMS during the last two years are as under :—

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Deficit
2000-01	7.78
2001-02	0.0034

(c) and (d) The main causes of loss in DMS are the low capacity utilization, increase in the prices of raw material and hike in salary and wages due to pay revision etc. Whenever complaints of corruption are received action is taken as per rules.