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Reply to the Lok Sabha Question No. 4916 regarding " Impact of Deficient Rainfall on Agriculture"

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- a) The details of agricultural universities/institutions in India under the Union Government along with their functioning and allocation of funds during the last 5 years;**

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- b) Whether the agricultural universities/institutes could fruitfully use the allocated funds, if so, the details thereof and if not, the action taken by the Government in this regard;**

Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture (CRIDA) is a National Research Institute under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) established in 1985 with a mandate to carry out basic and applied research in rainfed farming, with the support of two All India Coordinated Research Projects (AICRPs) of ICAR on Dryland Agriculture with 31 centres and on Agrometeorology with 25 centres.

The mandate of ICAR-CRIDA is:

- (a) To undertake basic and applied research for sustainable and climate resilient agriculture in rainfed areas,
- (b) To Co-ordinate network research for generating location-specific technologies in rainfed areas,
- (c) To serve as a centre for capacity enhancement in natural resource management in drylands.

The financial Outlay of CRIDA, AICRPDA and AICRPAM for the last 5 years is given in **Annexure-I**.

- c) The details of the total number of private agricultural universities in the country along with their locations;**

N.A.

- d) The admission process in these universities;**

N.A.

- e) Whether there is any control of the Government in the functioning of such universities; and**

N.A.

- f) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government would consider setting up any council/committee for monitoring of the functioning of these universities?**

N.A.