

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2501
TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2015**

AGRO AND TROPICAL METEOROLOGY

2501. DR. J. JA YAVARDHAN:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds allocated by the Government for study of Agro- meteorology in the country, State-wise;**
- (b) the details of funds spent by the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Pune on research and development;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up research institute for Agro- meteorology and start an Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology in Chennai; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER FOR MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND
MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES
(DR. HARSH VARDHAN)**

- (a) Under the scheme “Gramin Krishi Mausam Sewa (GKMS)” implemented by Ministry of Earth Sciences -India Meteorological Department (MoES-IMD) grants are released to 130 Agromet Field Units (AMFUs) located at State Agricultural Universities (SAUs), institutes of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and IITs etc. in 27 states in the country for agromet content development, preparation and dissemination of district level Agrometeorological Advisory Service (AAS) bulletins. An amount of Rs. 8.71 crores has been released to these institutes in these states to implement the scheme. Statewise details of funds allocated in FY 2014-2015 under GKMS scheme by IMD is given in Annexure-I.**
- (b) An amount of Rs. 79.83 crores is spent for research and development by Earth System Science Organization-Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (ESSO-IITM) during the current financial year.**
- (c) No**
- (d) Does not arise.**

Annexure I

STATE	Released amount (Rs.) in FY 2014-2015
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	392615
Andhra Pradesh	6487157
Assam	3706768
Bihar	2010064
Chhattisgarh	638378
Gujarat	3670030
Haryana	1600002
Himachal Pradesh	3110611
Jharkhand	2674060
Jammu & Kashmir	3157242
Karnataka	7256385
Kerala	4072139
Maharashtra	4458904
Madhya Pradesh	4059274
New Delhi	494441
Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura (NMMT)	3972266
Odisha	8675933
Pondicherry	760000
Punjab	3994756
Rajasthan	5173382
Tamil Nadu	7519116
Uttar Pradesh	4987932
Uttarakhand	1883443
West Bengal	2364751
Total	87119649