

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1577
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12th December, 2023

Agricultural College under CPCRI, Kasaragod

1577. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (CPCRI), Kasaragod, ICAR (Indian Council for Agricultural Research) is a large and old research institute run by the Union Government;
- (b) whether it is possible to start an Agricultural College under CPCRI as an Agricultural Based Center;
- (c) if so, the action taken to start an agricultural college in CPCRI Kasaragod;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether any proposal have been received from the State Government in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

- (a) Yes, Sir. ICAR-Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (ICAR-CPCRI) is an institute run by the Central Government which was established in 1916 as Central Coconut Research Station under the Presidency of Madras, and was later taken over by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). ICAR-CPCRI focuses on research in coconut, arecanut, cocoa and palmyrah. The headquarters of the institute is situated at Kasaragod, Kerala and the two regional stations are at Kayamkulam (Kerala) and Vittal (Karnataka). There are three research centres under the Institute viz., Mohitnagar (West Bengal), Kahikuchi (Assam) and Kidu (Karnataka).
- (b) There is no provision in the mandate of the institute to start an agricultural college.
- (c) & (d): Does not arise.
- (e) No such proposal from the State Government has been received.
