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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 518 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14/12/2018

FUNCTIONING OF AGRICULTURE UNIVERSITY AT TEMPORARY CAMPUS IN GUNTUR DISTRICT

518. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Agricultural University is functioning from temporary campus at Guntur District, since 2016;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of funds allocated/granted and released towards the project cost of the Agriculture University during the last three years;

(d) whether the funds released by Government are sufficient for early completion of this project; and

(e) if not, the reaction of Government thereto?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The land of 102.90 acres has been transferred from Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University to Acharya N.G. Ranga Agricultural University on 9th June, 2018.

As of now, the details of progress provided by the university are as follows:-

- (a) Completion of Faculty block construction.
- (b) Construction of boys hostel and girls in progress.
- (c) Construction of boundary wall is in progress.

(d) Initiated the process for construction of Integrated Administrative Building (IAB) alongwith infrastructural facilities.

(c) Considering the Action Plan received from Govt of Andhra Pradesh, financial support has been extended for "Establishment of new State Agricultural University in the Residuary State of Andhra Pradesh" as follows:-

- An amount of Rs. 10.00 crore was released in the year 2014-15 and Rs. 75.00 crore was released during 2015-16.
- Further, an amount of Rs. 50.00 crore was released in the year 2016-17. The Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE) has released a total of Rs. 135.00 crore so far.
- (d) Funds were released as per the Action Plan provided by the University.
- (e) Not applicable.
