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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

**MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

LOK SABHA

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**AGRICULTURAL AID TO AFGHANISTAN**

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government propose to assist Afghanistan for rebuilding its agricultural institutions;
- (b) if so, the assistance proposed; and
- (c) the action taken in this regard?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)**

(a)-(c) Government of India is committed to offer assistance in the reconstruction and rehabilitation of Afghanistan. During the visit of H.E. Hamid Karzai, Chairman of the Afghan Interim Administration, to India on 26-27 February 2002, many areas were identified for bilateral cooperation, including proposals for assistance in the field of agriculture which are being examined.