No: SFAC/43/Parl.Qus/2024-25/1447 Small Farmers Agribusiness Consortium 5th Floor, NCUI Auditorium Building, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi – 110016

To,

Dated 13.12.2024

Under Secretary (M-II)
Department of Agriculture & Farmer Welfare.
Krishi Bhawan
New Delhi

Sub: Lok Sabha Provisionally Admitted Starred Question diary No. 9211 regarding Setting up of Millet Research Institute due for answer on 17.12.2024-reg

Sir,

Please refer to your mail letter dated 12.12.2024 on the above subject. In this regard, point wise reply is furnished as below:

S.No.	Question	Reply
a)	Whether the Government has proposed to set up a Millet Research Institute in Barmer district of	No such information is available w
	Rajasthan and if so, the present progress in this	SFAC
	regard and the time by which it is likely to be completed;	
b)	Whether the millets research institute has been announced and approved;	
c)	If so, the budget allocated and spent for the said purpose;	
d)	Whether the Government propose to set up a Cumin Seed Mandi in Barmer in Rajasthan produces 52 per cent of total cumin production in the country and out of which maximum production i.e. 80 per cent is from Barmer and Jaisalmer Parliamentary Constituency of western Rajasthan and the cumin is taken to Unja Mandi Gujarat, which is 300 km away, for processing and selling, which involves an expenditure of Rs. 2500-3000 per quintal;	
e)	If so, the time by which the same will be set up and if not, the reasons therefor; and	

Yours faithfully,

(Prasanth Chander N.)
Dy. Director (Admn.)