

F. No 7-2/2014/ (RTI)-SDDS-ES

Government of India

Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
(Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare)

Directorate of Economics & Statistics
(SDDS Division)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated 22 July, 2016

Subject: Application under Right to Information Act 2005.

Please refer to CC Division's letter No 1-92/2016-RTI-CC-ES dated 20.07.2016 forwarding a copy of Online RTI Application, request dated 30.06.2016 from Shri Baleshwar Gupta, 4/4337, Ansari Road, Daryaganj, Delhi, Pin: 110002 seeking information regarding area of agricultural/barren land in 1947 and at present under Right to Information Act 2005. In this regard, it is stated that SDDS Division of Directorate Economics and Statistics (DES), compiles and disseminates District-wise/State-wise Land Use Statistics based on data supplied by designated State Agricultural Statistics Authorities (SASA) for all the States/UTs in the country as per 9-fold classification of Land Utilisation which includes Forest area, Area under Non Agricultural Use, Barren and Unculturable Land, Permanent Pasture and other Grazing Land, Land under Miscellaneous Tree Crops etc, Culturable Waste Land, Fallow Lands Other than Current Fallows, Current Fallows, Net Area Sown. The Agricultural Land includes 5 components namely Land under Miscellaneous tree crops & groves, Culturable waste land, Fallow Lands, other than current fallow land and Net area Sown and information sought on agriculture land and barren land is available since 1950-51 onwards on website which is available with path >LUS State>Latest State LUS Data>"Land Use Statistics at a Glance State-wise">2003-04 to 2012-13. The URLs of the Website is <http://eands.dacnet.nic.in>.

Further, prior to 1950-51, 5-fold classification of land utilization was in the existence in the country comprising forest area, Area not available for cultivation, other cultivated land excluding current fallow, current fallow and net area sown. The information sought on agricultural land and barren land prior to 1950-51 is not maintained separately by DES. It is also stated that the collection and compilation of data on land use statistics for the years 2013-14 onwards by the States are in progress and the same may be available in the public domain in due course.

Copy of this is also emailed to Technical Director, NIC for uploading on the website of DES under RTI segment.

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