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Mission-IV on the modernisation of ginning/pressing factories are to be implemented by the Ministry of Textiles.

In the Intensive Cotton Development Programme under Mini Mission-II, major thrust has been given for the transfer of technology through field demonstration, integrated pest management demonstration and farmers training as well as use of certified seeds of newer varieties/hybrids, sprayers, drip/sprinklers, pheromone traps and bio-agents.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. A proposal in this connection was received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh. The proposal was examined but the Ministry did not support the proposal for establishment of Cotton Board particularly in view of the scheme of Technology Mission on Cotton.

#### **Development of Animal Husbandry and Dairy Industry in U.P.**

4875.PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any scheme and programmes for development of animal husbandry and dairy industry in the State of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total funds allocated and released for the same during the last five years; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (d) The Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture has sponsored several schemes to supplement the effort of the State Government of Uttar Pradesh for development of animal husbandry and dairy industry in the state. The major schemes include Extension of Frozen Semen Technology, National Bull Production Programmes and Integrated Dairy Development Projects in Non Operation Flood, Hilly and Backward Areas. A sum of Rs. 1859.97 lakh has been released for the same to the State Government of Uttar Pradesh during the last five years.

#### **Agriculture Marketing Facilities in Uttar Pradesh**

4876.PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to take necessary steps for strengthening, upgrading and expanding agricultural marketing facilities in the State of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of fund allocated by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) and (c) The Directorate of Marketing and Inspection (DMI), and attached office of this Ministry, has been taking various steps for bringing about an integrated development of marketing of agricultural produce in- the country. The main activities of DMI relate to promotion of standardisation and grading of agricultural produce, marketing research, surveys and planning, and provision of training facilities for employees of State Governments on regulation and management of Agricultural Produce Markets. Recently, a Central Sector Scheme for Agricultural Marketing Information Network has been approved for bringing about improvements in the present market information system by establishing a nation-wide information network for speedy collection and dissemination of market information/data for their efficient and timely utilisation. Under this scheme, all important Agricultural Produce Markets and State Agricultural Marketing Boards/ Department all over the country, including those in the State of Uttar Pradesh, will be linked up through computer network.

**Central Scheme for Promotion and Development  
Agricultural Sector in U.P.**

4877. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated and implemented any Central scheme for promotion and development of agriculture sector in the State of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to give some incentives to small and marginal farmers of the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, the list of major Central