

Central Grant for Orissa Cyclone

294. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Orissa State Government is insisting that the entire amount (or Central fund) should be considered as grant and not as a loan or an advance, the intensification of the tussle is becoming a major obstacle in the distribution of relief; and

(b) if so, comments in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) and (b) As regards Super Cyclone of 29th October, 1999, Government of Orissa, in the first instance, had demanded Rs. 2500 crore as Central assistance to undertake relief and restoration measures and requested to treat the entire amount as grant and not as loan or advance. The Union Government has already released ad-hoc assistance of Rs. 200 crore from National Fund for Calamity Relief (NFCR) and Rs. 200 crore as advance plan assistance, to the Government of Orissa, in the wake of Super Cyclone. Further ad-hoc assistance of Rs. 300 crore has been announced. Government of India is rendering liberal assistance for relief and restoration measures. An advance plan assistance of Rs. 250 crore was also sanctioned to Orissa for the cyclone of 17-18th October, 1999. It is not correct to say that there is any tussle on this account.

New Variety Seeds

†295. SHRI BARJINDER SINGH HAMDARD:
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the per hectare production rate of pulses is less than that of wheat, rice and oilseeds in the country;

(b) if not, the per hectare production rate of each of wheat, rice, oilseeds, cotton, sugarcane, potato, onion and pulses in the country; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that improved seeds have been developed in the agricultural research sector in the country during the last three years; if so, the names of new seeds of the said foodgrains which have been developed, together with the production rates estimated in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The per hectare production rate of wheat, rice, oilseeds, cotton, sugarcane, potato, onion and pulses in the country during 1998-99 is given below:

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

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RAJYA SABHA

	Kgs./hectares
Wheat	2596
Rice	1905
Oilseeds	948
Cotton	240
Sugarcane	69288
Potato	17808
Onion	10346
Pulses	661

(c) A list of improved varieties of pulses released since 1995, giving the names of variety, year of release, yield rate, etc. is enclosed.

Statement

List of Improved Varieties of Pulses released during the last Five Years.

Name of Variety/ Hybrid	Year of release	Yield kg/ha.	Area of adoption
CHICKPEA	1995	24	NWPZ
GNG 663 (Vardan)			
GPF-2	1995	21	NWPZ
PUSA 362	1995	24	NWPZ
KWR 108	1996	20.5	NEPZ
GNG 469 (Smarat)	1996	21	NWPZ
KGD 1168 (Alok)	1996	19	NWPZ
Pusa 391	1996	17-18	CZ
Vishal	1996	20	CZ
DCP 92-3	1997	20—25	NWPZ
PIGEONPEA			
Jawahar KM 7	1996	20	CZ
PPH 4 (Hybrid)	1996	19	Punjab
COPH-1 (Hybrid)	1996	9.5	Tamil Nadu
COPH-2 (Hybrid)	1997	10.5	Tamil Nadu
MUMGBEAN			
Pusa 9072	1995	9.0	For Rabi Cultivation &

Name of Variety/ Hybrid	Year of release	Yield kg/ha.	Area of adoption
PDM-84-178	1996	8.0	South Zone For summer Early Kharif in Andhra Pradesh
TARM-1	1996	12.4	For Rabi Season in Maharashtra
PANT Mung-4 URDBKAM	1997	7.0	
WBU-108	1995	12	NWPZ & SZ
AKU-4	1996	10.0	For Rabi in Maharashtra
LENTIL			
DPL-15	1995	15.5	NWPZ
Pusa Vaibhav	1996	17.8	NWPZ
DPL=62	1997	17.0	NWPZ
Narendra Massor-1	1997	14.0	U.P.
DPL-62 (Shri)	1997	14.0	NWPZ
FIELDPEA			
DMR-7	1996	23.5	NWPZ
Utera	1996	22	NPWZ
KPF-144-1	1997	18.0	U.P.
JAYANTI	1998	14.0	Haryana
LATHIREUS			
Bio L 212	1997	15	NEPZ

Devastation caused by Cyclone in Panchapalli Village of Orissa

296. MISS FRIDA TOPNO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons died recently in cyclone in Orissa, particularly in PANCHAPALLI village of Erasama block of Jagatsinghpur district;

(b) the total number of cattle perished in the above village;