

(c) Yes Sir.

(d) and (e) Question does not arise.

**Grant-in-aid for Rural Development**

1493. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the various schemes of grant-in-aid available for developing the Rural Sector;

(b) what are the guidelines for these schemes;

(c) what is the total outlay in the Budget for such schemes; and

(d) how many such applications are pending with Government, State-wise/District-wise?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA): (a) The major grant-in-aid schemes of the Ministry of Rural Development are Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana (JGSY), Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS), Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP), Central Rural Sanitation Programme (CRSP) and Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP).

(b) The central funds are allocated to States under different programmes as per predetermined criteria.

(c) The total budget outlay (Plan) provided for the schemes of the Ministry of Rural Development in Budget Estimate (BE) 1999-2000 is Rs. 9026 crores.

(d) Information is being collected.

**Beneficiaries of National Family Benefit Scheme in HP**

1494. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons covered under the National Family Benefit Scheme in Himachal Pradesh, district-wise, during 1997-98 and 1998-99, upto November, 1999, on natural deaths and accidental deaths, separately; and