

fact fish production from aquaculture has gone up from 15.01 lakh tonnes in 1993-94 to 16.05 lakh tonnes in 1995-96.

(e) Question does not arise.

#### Statement

*Details regarding total extant of land under aquaculture all over the country*

S.No.	States/UTs	Area (ha.)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	119,433
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	210
3.	Assam	23,000
4.	Bihar	72,280
5.	Goa	135
6.	Gujarat	22,231
7.	Haryana	5,684
8.	Himachal Pradesh	288
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	1,520
10.	Karnataka	237,000
11.	Kerala	22,582
12.	Madhya Pradesh	99,675
13.	Maharashtra	38,556
14.	Manipur	8,900
15.	Meghalaya	174
16.	Mizoram	1,650
17.	Nagaland	3,102
18.	Orissa	125,159
19.	Punjab	6,275
20.	Rajasthan	3,949
21.	Sikkim	45
22.	Tamil Nadu	12,427
23.	Tripura	12,683
24.	Uttar Pradesh	158,000
25.	West Bengal	310,660
26.	Andaman & Nicobar	30
27.	Chandigarh	0
28.	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	4,664
29.	Daman & Diu	0
30.	Delhi	30
31.	Lakshadweep	0
32.	Pondicherry	152
Total		1290496

or say 12.90 lakh ha.

#### Free Education to Disabled

313. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to provide free education to the disabled till they complete University studies; and

(b) if so, the details of the guidelines issued to the school, college and university authorities in that regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) The Education Policy of the Government already provides for free education to all children including the disabled, up to the age of 14 years. As per the provisions of the recently enacted "Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 the Government is working towards providing all children with disabilities access to free education in an appropriate environment till the age of 18 years.

#### Threat to Indian Tiger

314. DR. (SHRIMATI) BHARATI RAY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian tiger is in danger of extinction due to poaching and habitat destruction;

(b) whether any meeting of the Indian Board of wildlife had been convened during the past five years;

(c) whether extinction of tigers poses any danger to environmental equilibrium;

(d) if so, what steps planned to save the tiger and its habitat; and

(e) what measures Government are taking to preserve wildlife in general in the country?