

Pradesh on 75:25% share basis between the Central Govt. & the State Govt. The Oilseed crops covered under the programme are Groundnut, Soyabean, Rapeseed-Mustard, Sesamum, Niger, Sunflower & Linseed. The State has also been given the option to include any crop/variety of Oilseeds which has the potential in the State.

(c) and (d) Under the project, assistance is provided for production & distribution of Seeds, distribution of minikits, sprinkler sets, improved farm implements, *Rhizobium* Culture, Gypsum/pyrite etc. In addition, front-line and general demonstrations are conducted on farmer's fields to transfer the production technology.

As a result of implementation of Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP) in the State, the production of Oilseeds has increased from 35.87 lakh tonnes during 1994-95 to 49.82 lakh tonnes as estimated during 1995-96, which is an all time record production of oilseeds in the State.

सरधना, मेरठ में कागज की मिल द्वारा उत्पन्न प्रदूषण

685. श्री सोमपाल: क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मेरठ जिले के ऐतिहासिक कस्बे सरधना में एक कागज की मिल के तरल अवशेषों के कारण भारी प्रदूषण हो रहा है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इस मिल के बहिष्प्राव को ऊपरी गंगा नहर में छोड़ा जा रहा है और इस कारण नहर का पानी भी अत्यधिक संदूषित हो रहा है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो सरकार ने इस संबंध में क्या कार्यवाही की है अथवा करने जा रही है; यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (कैप्टन जय नारायण प्रसाद निषाद): (क) मेरठ जिले में सरधना स्थित पेपर मिल ने बहिष्प्राव शोधन संयंत्र लगा लिया है। तथापि, शोधित बहिष्प्राव निर्धारित मानकों के अनुरूप नहीं है।

(ख) जी, नहीं। पेपर मिल के शोधित बहिष्प्रावों को नाले में छोड़ा जा रहा है।

(ग) उत्तर प्रदेश प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड और केन्द्रीय प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड द्वारा निर्धारित मानकों के अनुपालन की स्थिति की समय-समय पर मानीटरी की जा रही है।

एक सार्वजनिक हित वाद मामले में यह मामला माननीय उच्चतम न्यायालय में न्यायाधीन है।

Extension of AC coach in Saurashtra Mail

686. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered the proposals received from various quarters in Gujarat for the extension of AC coach in Saurashtra Mail upto Okha;

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be introduced; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The proposal is under consideration and action as found justified and feasible will be taken.

Upgradation of Schools in Uttar Pradesh

687. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 741 given in the Rajya Sabha on 7th March, 1996 and state:

(a) whether the orders issued by the former Governor and Chief Minister of UP in respect of upgradation of schools in the hill district of Uttar Pradesh are not being implemented;

(b) whether such orders for upgradation of school at Village Bedgaon, Block Kaljikhil have not been implemented at the ground level, due to inaction of the local administrative authorities;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when the above upgradation is likely to be really implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPT. OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Encouragement to Sports in rural areas

688. SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated schemes to encourage sports in rural areas, such as swimming pools, building sports complexes, indoor stadia and many other facilities and incentives to sportsmen;

(b) if so, the number of individuals who have been benefited during the last three years;

(c) how many sports complexes, swimming pools, stadia were erected in each State; and

(d) what amount has been spent under the different schemes during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPTT. OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. DHANUSHKODI ATHITHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under the Department's various incentive schemes, a number of sportsmen were given pension, awards and cash prizes with a view to encouraging them as well as promoting sports in the country. In particular, during the last three years, 182 sports-persons were given monthly pension at the rate of Rs. 2000/- and Rs. 1500/- for winning medals in the Olympic Games and Asian Games respectively; 4 sportsmen were conferred with the honour of the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award and 293 sportsmen were given Special Awards in the shape of cash prize money for their outstanding achievements at various international sports events.

(c) and (d) The requisite information is given in the Annexure-I. (See Appendix 178, Annexure No. 21).

गुजरात में बागवानी फसलों का विकास

689. श्री कनकसिंह मोहन सिंह पंगरोला: क्या कृषि मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने गुजरात में किन्हीं ऐसे क्षेत्रों का चुनाव किया है, जहां पर निर्यात किए जाने की संभावना रखने वाली उद्यान-कृषि की फसलों का विकास किया जा सके;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उद्यान-कृषि से संबंधित ऐसी फसलों का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) ऐसी फसलों का प्रचार-प्रसार करने के लिए क्या प्रोत्साहन दिए जा रहे हैं?

कृषि मन्त्री (श्री चतुरानन मिश्र) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं होता।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं होता। तथापि, सरकार राज्य योजना तथा केन्द्रीय क्षेत्र की योजनाओं के अन्तर्गत फलों, पुष्प तथा मसालों सहित विभिन्न ऐसी फसलों के विकास के लिए जिनमें निर्यात की सम्भावना है, सहायता प्रदान कर रही है। इस सहायता में फसलों की उत्पादकता व गुणवत्ता में सुधार करने तथा निर्यात सहित फसलोपरान्त प्रबन्ध और विपणन हेतु मूलभूत सुविधाओं का विकास करने के लिए पर्याप्त प्रोत्साहन शामिल हैं।

Review of the District Primary Education Programme

690. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the District Primary Education Programme and the assessment of the organisation implementing it; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPTT. OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) The District Primary Education Programme provides for inbuilt review and assessment mechanism through receipt of periodical reports from State Implementing Societies and also through quarterly supervision systems. The supervisor reports have generally expressed satisfaction over the implementation of the programme. So far, DPEP has been able to set up the project infrastructures at District, State and National level, initiate the process of environment building and microplanning in the Districts and commence the tasks of renewal of teaching learning practices etc.

बाढ़ के कारण हुआ जान और माल का नुकसान

691. श्री रामजीलाल: क्या कृषि मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या इस वर्ष देश के विभिन्न भागों में बाढ़ के कारण जान और माल को भारी नुकसान हुआ है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी राज्य-वार ब्यौरा क्या है और