

(i) *Central Sector Programmes*

(a) Quality Fodder Seed Production Technology through the Seven Regional Stations for Forage Production and Demonstration and the Central Fodder Seed Production Farm, Hessarghatta.

(b) Fodder Minikit Demonstration Programme.

(ii) *Centrally Sponsored Scheme*

(a) Strengthening of Fodder Seed Farms in the States.

(b) Fodder Seed Production through Registered Growers.

(c) Programme for enrichment of Straws and Cellulosic wastes.

(d) Establishment of Silva-Pasture systems for increasing biomass production.

(e) Assistance for grassland Development including grass reserves.

(f) Area oriented fuel wood and fodder projects.

* (g) Soil Conservation in the catchment of river valley project.

* (h) Integrated watershed management in the catchment of flood prone rivers.

* Development of pastures and fodder is one of the components of these schemes.

Agricultural and industrial production

1481. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the terms of trade between agricultural produce and industrial production have remained balanced since the year 1967;

(b) what is the quantity of wheat that equated the price of a 35 H.P. tractor in the year 1981 and 1991; and

(c) what was the price index in procurement season of wheat vis-à-vis the procurement prices in 1981-1991 taking the Base year 1970-71 as 100?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The indices of prices received and prices paid by the farmers i.e., terms of trade (Base 1970-71 = 100) increased from 83.3 in 1980-81 to 88.2 in 1990-91. This indicates a slight improvement in the terms of trade.

(b) On an average the quantity of wheat equating the price of a 35 HP tractor was 461 quintals in 1981 and 573 quintals in 1991.

(c) The annual average of Wholesale Price Index Number of Wheat (Base 1970-71 = 100) was 191.6 for the procurement season of 1991-92 and 292.0 for the procurement season of 1988-89 (latest available for the old series).

World Bank assistance for agricultural projects

1482. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of the Agricultural Development projects being assisted in the country by the World Bank; and

(b) what is the total cost of these projects and what is the amount of assistance received from the World Bank?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Presently only one in Tamil Nadu. Similar projects for some other states are under discussion.