

Eleven talukas in 3 districts which received less than 125 mm rainfall have been declared by the State Government of Gujarat as scarcity affected; the State Government has ordered the institution of test relief works in 15 talukas of 7 districts with rainfall less than 200 mm.

Presently, the status of rainfall in Haryana is normal; the State Government has not reported drought conditions in the State.

In U.P., the coverage under kharif crops is expected to improve on account of recent rains; State Government has not reported declaration of drought conditions in any part of the State.

(c) The following amounts have been released as first and second instalments of the Central share of Calamity Relief Fund to the States for meeting the expenditure on natural Calamities during 1991-92:

	(Rs. in crores)
Gujarat	31.875
Haryana	6.375
Madhya Pradesh	13.875
Uttar Pradesh	33.75

(d) The Government of Gujarat, is extending all relief assistance under the Relief Manual in areas recognised to have been affected by scarcity conditions.

The Governments of Uttar Pradesh ; and Haryana have been advised to provide assistance for agricultural inputs, launch special programmes for promoting contingency crops and augmenting vegetable and fodder production, take measures to introduce water budgeting and to ensure availability of power on priority to agricultural sector, proper functioning of Public Distribution System and employment opportunities in the affected areas.

Qualities of skimmed milk powder and' butter fats supplied to Delhi and other metro cities

183. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether capital i.; heading for a milk famine as appeared in the Times of India dated the 9th August. 1991 and if so. the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether it is a fact that Delhi and other metro cities have been depending on large quantities of skimmed milk powder and butter fat both indigenous and imported and if so, the quantities thereof used in four metro cities during the last three years, year-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the-Sabha.

विदिशा रेलवे स्टेशन के आस पास कीचड़ का होना

184. श्री राधबजी : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि विदिशा रेलवे स्टेशन के बाहर रेल परिसर के आस पास के क्षेत्र में वर्षा ऋतु में हमेशा कीचड़ बना रहता है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसे दूर करने के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है; और

(ग) यदि इस संबंध में कोई कार्यवाही नहीं की जा रही तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन): (क) विदिशा रेलवे स्टेशन के पश्चिम क्षेत्र में केवल भारी वर्षा के

दीर्घ हो पानी जमा हो जाने की
स्थिति होती है।

(ख) कच्ची नालियों की पहले ही
व्यवस्था कर दी गई है। नालियों के
निर्माण कार्य सहित परिवहन क्षेत्र में
और सुधार करने के कार्य भी 1991-
92 के दौरान शुरू करने का प्रस्ताव
है।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Cracks in Hirakud Dam

185. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the
Minister of WATER RESOURCES be
pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the
cracks developed in Hirakud Dam over the
river Matnnw.li in Orissa;

(i if so, the steps taken to repair the cracks
in that dam; and

(E) the details of the steps taken for the
safety of that dam?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RE-
SOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN
SHUKLA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. An Expert
Committee was constituted by the Government
of Orissa in March, 1981 to study the problems
of cracking and to advise on the remedial
measures. The Committee submitted its report
in September, 1983. On the recommendations
of the Committee, a project estimated to cost
Rs. 5.33 crores was approved by the Planning
Commission. Accordingly underwater
scanning of the cracks and sealing and grouting
was undertaken. An expenditure of Rs. 2.89
crore? has been incurred and a provision of Rs.
1.5 crores exists for the current year.

The Government of Orissa has consti-
tuted a Cracks Review Panel in August.
1990 to review and analyse the distress
condition of the dam and suggest rehabili-
tation measures. In the meantime,
a comprehensive Dam safety assu-
rance and rehabilitation project for
rehabilitation of dams in the States of
Orissa, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh and
Rajasthan has been prepared. An agree-
ment has been signed on 10-6-1991 for

IDA (International Development Association)
Credit of SDR (Special Drawing rights) 96.2
million and IBRD (International Bank of
Reconstruction and Development) Loan of US
\$ 23 million to be implemented over a period
of 7 years. The project includes a provision of
Dam safety review panel to advise the State
Government on safety aspects. Rehabilitation
of Hirakud Dam Project is included in this
project.

Operation flood programme in Orissa

186. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the
Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased
to state:

(a) whether the operation flood programme
is under implementation in Orissa;

(b) if so, the Central external assistance
received by the Government of Orissa for
implementing Operation Flood programme
during the last three years; and

(c) the various districts in the State
where the programme is being implement-
ed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.
C. LENKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The, National Dairy Development
Board (NDDB) has provided an amount of
Rs. 194.45 lakhs during 1988-89 to 1990-91 as
financial assistance to the Orissa State
Cooperative Milk Producers Federation and
its milk union for implementation of
Operation Flood IH (OF-III) Programme.

(c) OF-III is under implementation in the
districts of Cuttack, Dhenkanal, Keonjhar,
Puri and Sambalpur.

Sale of Dhara Oil

187. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHAN-
KER DAVE: Will the Minister of AGRI-
CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the quantity of Dhara Oil
sold so far indicating the funds generated as a
result thereof;