

[17 August, 2000]

RAJYA SABHA

(iii)	Green House	4017 S. 1
III	Commercial Floriculture	
(i)	Model Floriculture	1 No.
(ii)	Area Expansion	10.56 ha.
(iii)	Shading Net	2 Nos.
(iv)	Handling Unit	1 No.
(v)	Training of Farmers	87 Nos.
(vi)	Demonstration Plots.	2 Nos.
(IV)	Mushroom	
(i)	Compost Pasteurized Units	2 Nos.
(d) No. Sir.		
(e) Does not arise.		

Visit by Agriculture Minister to Gujarat

2670. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:

SHRI CM. IBRAHIM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether he visited the different drought hit areas in the country during the past three months, particularly Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details of the devastations caused by drought, indicating the population, cattle-heads and crops hit thereby; and
- (c) the Central aid given and being given for drought hit victims?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Governments of Gujarat, Rajasthan and Andhra Pradesh had reported drought conditions in the last few months. Gujarat had reported that population of 2.50 crore of 9449 villages in 155 taluks in 17 districts were affected, Rajasthan had reported that 2.62 crore

population in 23406 villages in 26 districts were affected and Andhra Pradesh had reported that 17431 villages in 18 districts were affected, by the drought.

(c) Details of assistance given from the Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) and National Fund for Calamity Relief (NFCR) to these States are indicated below:

(Rs. in crore)

Nationala Fund Calamity Relief Fund for Calamity Relief Assistance				
State	1999-2000	2000-2001	Demanded	released
Gujarat	121.05	131.14	722.16	54.58
Rajasthan	155.25	168.15	1144.40	102.93
Andhra Pradesh	107.69	77.78	720.36	75.36

Relief to Famine Victims

2671. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 501 given in the Rajya Sabha on 3rd December 1998 and state:-

- (a) details of the policy finalised as mentioned in the aforesaid answer;
- (b) the extent of damage caused by flood and cyclone since April, 1998 to June, 2000; and
- (c) the amount of relief/assistance asked for, amount declared by Prime Minister, various source of fund, amount actually released including those assistance from other sources, both within and outside the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K SATYAN AR AY ANA RAO):