

(b) if so what are the details in this regard; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): () No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Cooperative Farming was encouraged in the earlier years of planning in India. Experience over years, has shown that it is a difficult programme requiring very high degree of cohesion and social consciousness among members and involves very complex problems of internal management and human relationship. This programme was not very successful and successful farming societies were few and dispersed. Generally, the approach at present is to organise new societies where there is a good chance for success, weed out the bad ones, consolidate and strengthen the viable and potentially viable ones, and provide the members with improved technology, farm inputs, to enable them to cultivate their land on individual basis.

Performance of public sector units

271. SHRI PRAKASH MEHROTRA:

SHRI R. R. MORARKA:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the performance of different public sector units under his Ministry for the year 1979-80, profit-wise and production-wise; and

(b) how it compares with the results of the previous year?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) and (b) The position with regard to the performance of the three public sector units viz., NBCC, HPL and HUDCO under the Ministry of Works and Housing for the year 1979-80 vis-a-vis results achieved in the year 1978-79 is given in the- annexure.

Annexure

National Buildings Construction Corporation Ltd.

The accounts for the year 1978-79 are yet to be finalised. However, according to the provisional figures available, the Corporation expects to achieve a turnover of Rs. 65.00 crores with a net profit of Rs. 85.00 lakhs to Rs. 100.00 lakhs, after accounting for the losses incurred by the Mechanised Brick Plant. During the year 1978-79 the Corporation achieved a turnover of Rs. 52.00 crores with a net profit of Rs. 1.01 crore, after accounting for the losses incurred by the Mechanised Brick Plant

Hindustan Prefab Limited

The accounts for the year 1979-80 are under finalisation. However, according to the provisional figures available the Company is likely to have achieved a production value of Rs. 375.00 lakhs with a marginal profit of Rs. 2.00 lakhs. During the year 1978-79 the Company had achieved a production value of Rs. 373.00 lakhs incurring a net loss of Rs. 38.25 lakhs.

Housing and Urban Development Corporation Ltd.

As HUDCO is not a manufacturing concern, question of supply of any production data would not arise. Being a financial institution it sanctions loans to various organisations for house construction purposes. The loan released and profit earned by the Corporation during 1978-79 and 1979-80 were as follows:—

	loans released	Profit earned
	(Rs. in crores)	
1978-79	65.86	5.15
1979-80	77.05	6.57

(Provisional) Explorations/excavations in Andhra Pradesh

272. SHRIMATI RODA MISTRV: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

tions/excavations undertaken by the Archaeological Survey of India in

(a) what is the number of explorations/excavations undertaken by the

Andhra Pradesh during the last three years year-wise; and

(b) what is the outcome of each survey?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) During the last three years, the Archaeological Survey of India explored 352 sites having antiquarian remains and excavated four sites in Andhra Pradesh. The year-wise break-up is as below:—

<i>Explorations</i>	<i>No. of sites explored</i>
1977-78	55
1978-79	138
1979-80	159

<i>Excavations</i>	<i>Period</i>
(a) Kalingapatam, District Srikakulam	1977-80
(2) Satankota, District Kunmul	77-80
(3) Kudavalli-Sangameswari, District Mahabubnagar	1978-79
(4) Vavulapadu, District, Kurnool	1978-79

(b) The explorations have yielded sites ranging from Early Stone Age to Medieval Period. Three excavations have brought to light a fortified settlement, belonging to circa 1st to 3rd century A.D., and megaliths of various types at Satankota; remains of 4th—15th century A.D. at Kudavalli-Sangameswar and a Buddhist Stupa of circa 1st century A.D. at Kalingapatam. An important find recovered from the excavation at Kudavalli was a Roman gold coin of Julius Constantius (A.D. 337—361) and half fragment of a Byzantine coin of Anastasius (A.D. 491—518).

Employment opportunities to women

273. SHRIMATI RODA MISTRY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken or propose to take any steps for imparting initial training and subsequent-

ly providing employment opportunities to work full-time or part-time in their own homes for the women in need of work and wages; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) The following schemes/programmes are in operation for training and employment of women:

(i) The Ministry of Social Welfare is operating a centrally sponsored scheme of training and rehabilitation of destitute women by giving financial assistance to voluntary agencies for setting up centres/institutes for training women in skills and trades in a period not exceeding six months, such that the women can get employment in local industry, trade or in self-employment ventures for which there is provision also to give rehabilitation grant.

(ii) The Central Social Welfare Board has a programme for vocational training courses for adult women, which aims at providing opportunities to needy and deserving women to undergo intensive training in selected vocations to enable them to get suitable employment/self-employment.

The Central Social Welfare Board also has a socio-economic programme for needy and destitute and physically handicapped women under which assistance is given to them for full time or part-time employment including self-employment.

(iii) Directorate General of Employment and Training, Ministry of Labour, offers vocational training facilities to both men and women through its various training institutes and also offers employment under its apprenticeship Scheme. There is also a special project of Vocational training programme for women.