

(d) The Registrar of Cooperative Societies has reported that verification could not be completed as the society has not furnished the details regarding some members in the frozen list. Allotment is made after the names of members are cleared by the Registrar of Cooperative Societies, demarcation-cum-aetback Plan approved by the DDA and 'statement of details' furnished by the society to the Land & Building Department of the Delhi Administration.

#### Animal Husbandry in Sikkim

534. SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE - be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of the Central assistance provided to the Sikkim Government in the field of animal husbandry during the last three years; and

(b) what is the extent of development in the sphere of animal husbandry which has taken place in that State with the Central assistance during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) Financial assistance provided during the last three years:

	(Rs. in lakhs)		
	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80
(i) Rinderpest Eradication	..	..	0.10
(ii) Foot & Mouth Disease Control	..	..	0.08
(iii) Strengthening of arrangements for Animal Husbandry Statistics in States	..	0.21	..

(b) Under the Livestock Health Schemes for which assistance was provided to the State of Sikkim, steps have been taken to provide effective

health cover to the livestock by, providing vaccines or infrastructure for vaccinations particularly against Rinderpest and Foot & Mouth Disease in Cattle.

So far as Animal Husbandry Statistics is concerned, most of the state has been brought in position for initiating sample surveys on estimation of production of major livestock products.

#### Working of Food Corporation of India in Sikkim

535. SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Food Corporation of India maintains an office at Gangtok in Sikkim; and

(b) if so, what are the schemes\* taken up by the said Corporation in the State during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Food Corporation of India has been entrusted with the work of storage and distribution of foodgrains in Sikkim. No special schemes were taken up by the Corporation in Sikkim during the last three years.

#### Slum Clearance

536. SHRI BHAIKAB CHANDRA MAHANTI: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme under Government's consideration for the clearance of slum areas in cities and towns; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) and (b) The Slum Clearance/Improvement Scheme was started in 1950 in the Central Sector and continued as