

(a) whether it is a fact that filariasis malaria, cholera, T.B., Leprosy and dengue fever are on increase in the new forms all over the country; and

(b) if so, what remedial steps Government are taking in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI A.K.M. ISHAQUE) : (a) Excepting malaria, the incidence of other diseases does not appear to have increased.

(b) The national programmes for the eradication/control of Filaria, Malaria, Cholera, Tuberculosis and Leprosy are being continued during the Fifth Five Year Plan period as Centrally Sponsored Schemes. These programmes are reviewed from time to time and action as necessary is taken for their proper implementation. In so far as Dengue is concerned, anti-larval and anti-adult mosquitoes measures are being taken against *Aedes Aegypti*, which is the mosquito responsible for the transmission of this disease.

Visit of Godavari Barrage by World Bank Team

1318. SHRI PAPI REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the World Bank team has recently visited the Godavari Barrage:

(b) if so, what are the findings of the team:

(c) whether Government have received any proposals from the State Government regarding the Godavari Barrage scheme; and

(d) what action Central Government propose to take on the recommendations of the team and the State Government's proposal"

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI KEDAR NATH SINGH) : (a) to (d) The Government of Andhra Pradesh submitted a report on the Godavari Barrage to the Centre in April, 1974 for credit assistance from the World Bank. The project has been posed to the World Bank for such assistance. The World Bank Team visited the project site in June 1974. No report has so far been received from the World Bank. Negotiations for the credit assistance with the Bank are likely to be held by the end of December, 1974.

Development of sun flower in Madhya Pradesh

1319. SHRI CHAKRAPANI SHUKLA : SHRI SAWAISINGH SISODIA : SHRI N.P. CHAUDHARI : SHRI B.S. SHEKHAWAT :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Madhya Pradesh Government have sent a scheme for the intensive development of sunflower in some districts of that State ;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the scheme is likely to be sanctioned?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI PRABHUDAS PATEL) : (a) The Government of Madhya Pradesh had submitted a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Sunflower Development for the year 1974-75 for implementation in some districts of the State.

(b) A statement is enclosed.

(c) It has already been sanctioned.

Statement

The details of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Sunflower Development for the year 1974-75 submitted by the Government of Madhya Pradesh are as follows :

1. Introduction of exotic, short duration, high yielding and high oil containing varieties of sunflower over an area of 10,000 hectares.

2. Adoption of all Package of Practices on this area.

3. Popularisation the cultivation of sunflower on scientific lines in suitable cropping patterns so as to build up the technical competence of the farmers for launching a crash programme for the development of sunflower crop leading to rapid increase in its production.

4. Distribution of free minikits containing 5 Kg. seed for 1/2 ha.

5. Laying out of demonstrations to evolve suitable Package of Practices in different areas for obtaining optimum yields. Each demonstration to cover an area of 0.4 ha. at a total cost of Rs. 120 per demonstration.

6. Introduction of crop competition to make the cultivators more interested in the cultivation of this new crop.