

Fountains and Decorative Lights installed by N.D.M.C.

345. SHRI IBRAHIM KALANIYA :

SHRI GANESH LAL MALI

SHRI MOHAMMAD USMAN
ARIF :

SHRI QASIM AU ABID :

SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM
KHAN :

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the fountains and the decorative lights installed by NDMC are not being operated for a long time;

(b) if so, what was the expenditure incurred on these installations; and

(c) whether it is a fact that most of the decorative lights and fittings have either been damaged, removed or stolen and if so, what is the loss suffered by the NDMC on that account?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

b) Rs. 14.50 lakhs.

(c) No, Sir.

Fish Farmers Development Agencies

346. SHRI K. B. CHETTRI :

SHRI NABIN CHANDRA
BURAGOHAIN :

DR. R. K. CHAKRABARTI :

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to set up fish farmers development agencies, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE): (a) to (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

It is proposed to set up Fish Farmers Development Agencies in 20 States in selec-

ted districts during the Vth Plan as per the particulars furnished below—

| Name of the State | No. of Agencies set up |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Andhra Pradesh | 2 |
| 2. Madhya Pradesh | 2 |
| 3. Karnataka | 2 |
| 4. Orissa | 2 |
| 5. Maharashtra | 2 |
| 6. Tamil Nadu | 2 |
| 7. West Bengal | 2 |
| 8. Assam | 2 |
| 9. Bihar | 2 |
| 10. Uttar Pradesh | 2 |
| 11. Gujarat | 1 |
| 12. Haryana | 1 |
| 13. Kerala | 1 |
| 14. Meghalaya | 1 |
| 15. Manipur | 1 |
| 16. Nagaland | 1 |
| 17. Punjab | 1 |
| 18. Rajasthan | 1 |
| 19. Tripura | 1 |
| 20. Arunachal Pradesh | 1 |
| TOTAL | 30 |

25000 hectares are expected to be brought under production under the auspices of the thirty Agencies.

The main factors that are impeding the spread of intensive fish culture are ;

(i) General lack of trained fish farmers, (ii) General lack of integration of the component parts of fish culture and coordination of the roles of the concerned agencies, and (iii) inadequacy of organised extension services. The Fish Farmers Development Agencies are aimed at to provide the necessary coordination and integration.

The scheme is a centrally sponsored one. The agencies will assist the fish farmers in obtaining loans for pond construction/reclamation etc. from commercial banks. The Centre provides subsidies towards ponds construction/reclamation & towards inputs. The administrative expenditure (inclusive of cost of training of fish farmers and equipment) of the agencies is also met by the Centre by providing 100% subsidy. The State Governments provide Fish Seed Farms and also the services of technical and other personnel to the agencies.