

ESTABLISHMENT OF AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY IN PARBHANI

*377 SHRI SIKANDAR ALI WAJD -
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be
pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Govern-
ment of Maharashtra have decided to
establish an Agricultural University at
Parbhani and have approached the Central
Government for financial assistance, and

(b) if so the action taken in this
regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI
ANNASAHEB SHINDE) (a) and (b) A
statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT

(a) The State Government have decided
to establish two Agricultural Universities in
Marathwada and Konkan regions this year.
The names of places where the two Univer-
sities will be set up have not been intimated
by the State Government, nor have they so
far sought Central financial assistance for
establishment of these two Universities.
The selection of site for location of these
Universities is to be made by the State
Government.

(b) Does not arise.

SHORTAGE OF JUTE SEEDS IN WEST BENGAL

*378. SHRI SANAT KUMAR RAHA
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be
pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that there is
acute shortage of jute seeds in West Bengal,
and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Govern-
ment of India to meet the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI
ANNASAHEB SHINDE). (a) and (b) As
against 4468 quintals of quality seed distrib-
uted last year 5214 quintals of such seeds
were made available for distribution in West
Bengal during the current season. The deta-

iled information in respect of the jute seed
shortage in the state is being collected and
will be placed on the table of the sabha.

UNESCO AID FOR LORD NATARAJA TEMPLE

*377 SHRI V. V. SWAMINATHAN -
Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state
whether Government have any proposal
under consideration to secure UNESCO aid
for the renovation of the very ancient tem-
ple of Lord Nataraja in Chidambaram ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SO-
CIAL WELFARE (PROF. D. P. YADAV) A
proposal in this behalf was received from
the Government of Tamil Nadu some time
back for obtaining experts and equipment.
It was referred to the Archaeological Survey
of India for technical advice in the first
instance. The Directorate General of Arch-
aeology has advised that the work is not
of such nature as to require the services of
foreign experts. The matter is under consid-
eration.

SETTING UP OF A VANASPATI FACTORY IN ORISSA

578 SHRI CHANDRAMOULI
JAGARLAMUDI :
SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :
SHRI LOKANATH MISRA :
SHRI K. C. PANDA
SHRI SUNDAR MANI PATEL :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be
pleased to state

(a) whether the Government of Orissa
have sought permission of the Government
of India for a licence for a Vanaspati
factory in some part of Orissa; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the
action, if any, taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF.
SHER SINGH) (a) Beyond recommending
the grant of a licence to a private party for
setting up a vanaspati factory in Orissa,
the State Government has not made any
proposal of its own for setting up such a
factory,