

**Action Plan to Develop Agriculture in Maharashtra**

3278. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any action plan for the development of pulses, vegetables, fruits, cereals and sugarcane, etc. in Maharashtra State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds released for the State for this purpose for the last three years, item-wise; and

(d) whether the funds released for the purpose were fully utilized, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) to (c) The details of central sector/centrally sponsored schemes being implemented in Maharashtra for development of major crops and funds released thereunder during the last three years are given in the Statement (*See below*).

(d) Sometimes proposals are received from the State Government at the fag end of the financial year. Further, delays sometimes occur in release of funds to the implementing agencies. This results in a portion of the allocated funds remaining unutilised at the end of the year.

**Statement**

*Details of funds released and utilized by Maharashtra under major Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored schemes.*

		(Rupees in Crores)					
SI.	Name of the scheme	1997-98		1998-99		1999-	2000
		Rele- ased	Utili- sed	Rele- ased	Utili- sed	Rele- ased	Utili- sed
1	Integrated cereal development programme-Coarse cereals	541.50	893.78	954.00	641.85	389.65	171.06
2	Sustainable development of sugarcane based cropping system	348.50	518.80	580.00	407.09	271.63	423.56

Sl.	Name of the scheme	1997-98		1998-99		1999-2000	
		Released	Utilised	Released	Utilised	Released	Utilised
3	Intensive Cotton Development Programme/Technology Mission on Cotton	284.00	270.63	307.00	317.78	567.69	216.92
4	National Pulses Development Project	412.00	399.04	430.00	424.10	430.00	442.06
5	Oilseed Production Programme	1050.00	1061.13	1100.00	1151.00	1030.43	890.33
6	Accelerated maize development programme	2.82	60.32	60.00	14.29	20.00	68.67
7	Integrated Dev. of Tropical, Arid Temperate Zone Fruits	100.00	0.00	214.00	142.15	200.00	18.96
8	Development of Vegetables	544.38	178.85	690.20	458.75	541.36	418.55
9	Integrated Development of Species	9.50	0.00	0.00	1.11	18.00	11.40
10	Integrated Dev. Programme of Cashewnut.	147.52	0.00	86.12	74.02	71.19	38.69

**Non-representation of MPs in Board of Central Agricultural University, Imphal**

3279. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the representatives of Parliament are not included in the formation of Board of the Central Agricultural University at Imphal, though other Central Universities have a representative from Parliament; and

(b) if so, why the Parliament's representative should not be included in the Board of the University?