

up of Farm Schools. Besides there are Extension/Transfer of Technology Divisions in all ICAR institutes and Agriculture Universities. ICAR has also setup a network of 600 Krishi Vigyan Kendras in the country to assess, refine and demonstrate agricultural technologies; to provide training to farmers; and to make them aware on latest agricultural technologies through extension programmes.

Funds for dairy development

†2673. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated for dairy development during the period of 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana and the funds released from the sanctioned amount; and

(b) the funds earmarked for dairy development under Bundelkhand package and the amount of funds released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHARAN DAS MAHANT): (a) Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Government of India has informed that no sector-wise or region-wise allocation of fund or releases is made under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) Scheme. However under RKVY, an amount of Rs. 201.81 crore, Rs 174.31 crore and Rs. 284.62 crore has been approved for dairy development projects during the year 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 respectively.

(b) Planning Commission, Government of India has informed that under Bundelkhand package, an amount of Rs. 100 crore for the state of Uttar Pradesh covering seven districts and Rs. 120.00 crore for the state of Madhya Pradesh covering six districts has been approved for animal husbandry and dairy development activities. An amount of Rs. 43.05 Crore and Rs. 50.34 crore have been released to the Government of Uttar Pradesh and Government of Madhya Pradesh as Additional Central Assistance (ACA) against the envisaged ACA of Rs. 60.70 crore for Uttar Pradesh and Rs. 80.70 crore for Madhya Pradesh respectively for implementing animal husbandry and dairy development activities.

Crisis in sugarcane farming in Andhra Pradesh

2674. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the crisis in sugarcane farming in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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