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(c) The Agricultural Finance Corporation (AFC) has been entrusted with the review/evaluation of Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP) and National Pulses Development Project (NPDP). Based on the findings of these review, corrective measures are taken to remove bottlenecks/problems in the implementation of these schemes.

(d) Under these programmes financial assistance on various inputs such as production and distribution of seeds, distribution of seed minikits, distribution of improved farm implements, sprinkler sets, rhyzobium culture and micro nutrients etc. is provided. In order to disseminate the production technology amongst the farmers, front line demonstrations are organized by the ICAR and block demonstrations are organized by the State Department of Agriculture.

Delay in studies of CICEF

1346. DR. A.K. PATEL: PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

 (a) whether it is a fact that the feasibility studies being carried out by the Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fisheries, Bangalore for designing of Fisheries Harbour Development Works are getting delayed;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what remedial measures are being proposed by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

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