

has sought the approval of the Union Government to utilise the funds allocated for irrigation project on other projects; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the time by which permission is likely to be accorded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No, Sir. Planning Commission have not received any proposal from the Government of Punjab for utilisation of the funds allocated for the irrigation projects in other projects for the Annual Plan 1992-93.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

Improved Technology for Farmers

3235. SHRI A. VENKATESH NAIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposed to adopt a mass media approach to reach every farmer and train them with improved production technology; and

(b) if so, the salient features in adopting Science and Technology and infrastructural support in this sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

International Sub-Contracting Exchange

3236. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up an international Sub-contracting exchange;

(b) whether this international sub-contracting exchange is proposed to be set up in collaboration with the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO);

(c) if so, the main purpose of setting up of this exchange; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b). The United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) has proposed to establish a sub-regional Network of Industrial Sub-contracting Exchanges in Asia.

(c) The main purpose of setting up of this exchange is to enable participating countries to exchange technical and economic information on industrial sub-contracting capabilities and opportunities through a sub-regional sub-contracting system and network.

(d) A final decision in this regard is still to be taken.

Exchange of Enclaves Between India and Bangladesh.

3237. SHRI BIRSING MAHATO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any time bound programme