the Eighth Plan period has been taken including those that may be opened in Maharashtra and so no financial targets can be indicated at this stage.

Farm Forestry Scheme

3059. SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had launched a farm forestry scheme in the country;

if so, when was that scheme **(b)** iaunched:

(c) whether such scheme has been launched in Orissa:

(d) if so, the amount provided for implementing that scheme in Orissa since then; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOR-ESTS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMEN-TATION (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b). Farm forestry is an important component of the Social Forestry Programme, which is under implementation from the Sixth Plan.

Assistance to Orissa for Forest Plantation in Tribal Area

3060. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have given assistance to the State of Orissa for forest plantation in the tribal areas;

(b) if so, the details of the areas covered thereby; and

(c) the different kinds of plants planted in these areas under this centrally sponsored scheme during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOR-ESTS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMEN-TATION (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Central assistance is being provided to the Government of Orissa under Schemes of Rural Fuelwood Plantations, Silvipasture Development, Minor Forest Produce, Decentralised People's Nurseries and the Drought Prone Areas Programme for planting work in the tribal districts of Balasore, Kalahandi, Sundergarh, Koraput, Phulbani, Mayurbhanj, Keonjhar and Sambalpur.

(c) The species being raised are mainly for fuelwood, fodder, timber and minor forest produce.

(c) Yes, Sir.

[Translation]

(d) and (e). The amount spent on afforestation/tree planting activities in Orissa State during the Sixth and Seventh Plan period are given below:

Sixth Plan Rs. 2908.99 lakhs (1980-85)

Seventh Plan Rs. 8597.34 lakhs (1985-86 to 1988-89)

Pipeline between Kandla and Bhatinda

3061. SHRI HARSH VARDHAN: WII the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission is reconsidering the scheme involving an expenditure of Rs. 755 crores for laying a pipe-line between Kandla and Bhatinda for

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the transportation of petroleum products;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof; and

(c) when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISH-WANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) to (c). The Planning Commission is reviewing the pipeline and railway options in terms of relative viability, resources availability, and possible time phasing of the investments.

[English]

Telugu University

3062. SHRIMATI T. MANEMMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Telugu University, Hyderabad is receiving any grant by U.G.C.;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOL-OGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DE-VELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) and (b). Telugu University, Hyderabad has been declared as an institution fit to receive Central assistance under section 12-B of the UGC Act on 6th March, 1990. The UGC has made an allocation of Rs. 20.00 Lakhs (Rs. 10.00 lakhs respectively for books and journals; and for equipment) for this University, and has asked it to formulate proposals before sanction is issued.

(c) Does not arise.

Sanskrit Universities

3063. SHRIN. DENNIS: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of places where Sanskrit Universities are functioning in the country, State-wise; and

(b) the details of the Schemes of its expansion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOL-OGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DE-VELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) There are three Sanskrit Universities and two Institutions deemed to be Universities imparting education in Sanskrit as indicated below: