

stamp in memory of Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, the distinguished Speaker of Lok Sabha, on his current birth centenary year?

**THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRI SHNAN):** (a) Yes, Sir. Requests have been received for issue of a stamp on this personality. A proposal in this regard was placed before the Philatelic Advisory Committee, which functions in the Department to advise the Government about issue of commemorative/special postage stamps and other such matters, at its meeting held on 29.9.89. However, the Committee could not consider the proposal due to paucity of time. The proposal will be again placed before the Committee, for consideration, at its next meeting.

#### **Drowning of Children in Yamuna Vihar Drains**

2672. **SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:** Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether four children died between 18 July, 1981 and 23 February, 1986 by drowning in the drains of Yamuna Vihar constructed by DDA;

(b) if so, whether cases registered in this regard are still pending with the area Police Station;

(c) the action taken in this regard against the persons found guilty; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED):** (a) to (d). No, Sir. However, one child named Janender @ Kalu had died due to drowning in a drain, which was constructed by Delhi

Development Authority. A case FIR 59 dated 23-2-86 u/s 304-A IPC was registered at Police Station Gokal Puri. An enquiry was conducted by SDM/New Delhi and no one was found at fault.

#### **Production and Productivity Growth Rate of Agricultural Commodities**

2673. **SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM:** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the study made by the Punjab, Haryana and Delhi Chamber of Commerce and Industry regarding production and productivity growth rate of agricultural commodities;

(b) if so, the details of the products and the comparative production and productivity growth rate for different years as reported by PHDCCI; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

**THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A Statement giving the growth (average annual) in area, production and yield for different years as reported by Punjab, Haryana and Delhi Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) is given below.

In the pre-Green Revolution period i.e. 1951-52 to 1964-65, the production growth rates of all major crops were higher primarily on account of area expansion. However, the growth rates of area in the post-Green Revolution period have declined and the productivity growth rate levels are higher. In fact the production and productivity levels of rice, wheat, foodgrains and all Crops were the highest ever achieved so far, during the year 1988-89.

**STATEMENT**

(Per-cent per annum)

Sl.No.	Crop/period	1951-52 to 1964-65			1964-65 to 1987-88			1951-52 to 1987-88		
		A	P	Y	A	P	Y	A	P	Y
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1.	All Crops									
	PHDCCI	1.7	3.2	1.4	0.3	2.3	1.8	0.8	2.6	1.7
2.	Foodgrains									
	PHDCCI	1.5	3.1	1.5	0.3	2.5	2.1	0.7	2.7	1.9
3.	Non-Foodgrains									
	PHDCCI	2.4	3.3	0.9	0.2	1.9	1.1	1.0	2.4	1.0

A—Area

P—Production

Y—Yield

PHDCCI — As given by Punjab, Haryana and Delhi Chamber of Commerce and Industry in its Note on Agriculture Price Policy in India.