

(c) whether the Government propose to do away with this imbalance;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e). The Central Universities are set up in response to specific educational and Centre-State considerations. They are not set up State-wise.

#### **Production of Mushroom**

\*239 SHRI JANGBIR SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of mushroom during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the target of production fixed for the current year;

(c) the steps being taken to improve its production; and

(d) the details of basic facilities being

provided by the Government to farmers for its production, particularly in Haryana?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) Since, mushroom growing is in the unorganised sector, authentic statistics for its production are not available. Estimated production figures for 1992-93 for major mushroom growing States is given in the Statement.

(b) No targets have been fixed for mushroom production.

(c) and (d). The Government of India is implementing a Centrally sponsored Scheme for Mushroom Cultivation with a total outlay of Rs. 10 crores in 21 States/UTs during the VIII Plan. In addition, National Horticulture Board provides soft loan facilities for integrated units involved in Production and marketing of mushrooms.

Under the Central Sector Scheme, assistance is provided for establishment of 29 Spawn Production Units, 30 Pasteurised Compost Units in these States and training of farmers.

For the State of Haryana, two Spawn Production Units and two Pasteurised Compost Units have been sanctioned. In addition, 2400 farmers of the State are proposed to be trained in various aspects of mushroom production and processing.

## STATEMENT

## State-wise Estimated Production of Mushrooms

Sl. No.	States	1992-93 (M.T.)	Projected for 1994-95
1.	Andhra Pradesh	300	500
2.	Bihar	5	10
3.	Delhi	500	600
4.	Gujarat	10	15
5.	Haryana	1650	3000
6.	Himachal Pradesh	2000	3500
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	300	500
8.	Karnataka	500	600
9.	Kerala	300	700
10.	Madhya Pradesh	200	1200
11.	Maharashtra	250	500

Sl. No.	States	1992-93 (M.T.)	Projected for 1994-95
12.	Orissa	50	600
13.	Punjab	1200	4200
14.	Rajasthan	5	10
15.	Tamil Nadu	1200	4500
16.	Uttar Pradesh	2500	3500
17.	West Bengal	50	1200
18.	Others	500	1000
	Total	11520	26135