managed habitat conditions, while the decline in some species is due to inadequate protection and habitat decline.

(d) A number of steps are being taken to safeguard wild animal populations. These include : Providing

assistance to the States for development of national parks and sanctuaries; implementaing special projects for endangered species such as Tiger, Elephants, Rhino etc; undertaking ex-situ conservation and rehabilitation of species in wild; controlling poaching and illegal trade of wildlife etc.

S. No.	Name of the State	Tiger 1989-93			Elephant 1989-93		Lion 1989-90		Rhinoceros 1989-93		Leopard 1989-93	
<u>,</u> 1.	Andhra Pradesh	235	197 <i>°</i>	-	46	-	-	-	•	301	152	-
2.	Dadra & Nagar Havaeli	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	15	•
3.	Goa	2	3	-	-	· -	-	-	-	18	31	-
4.	Bihar	157	137	335	500-600	-	-	-	-	134	203	-
5.	Mizoram	18	28	-	-	-	-	-		38	49	-
6.	Himachal Pradesh	-	-	-			-	-	-	199	821	-
7.	Orissa	243	226	-	1500-1600	- `	-			279	378	-
8.	Rajasthan	9 9	64	-	-	· -	-	-	-	461	475	-
9.	Gujarat	9	5	· -	-	239	284	•	-	702	772	-
10.	Maharashtra	417	276	-	-	-	-	-	-	580	417	-
11.	Karnataka	257	305	-	5000-6000	-	-		-	283	455	-
12.	Haryana	-	-	-	-	-		-	• -	19	25	-
13.	Meghalaya	34	53	-	2500-3000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
14.	Uttar Pradesh	735	465	-	750-1000	-	-	9	12	1095	711	-
15.	Arunachal Pradesh	135	180	- '	2000-3000		· -	-		121	98	-
16.	Madhya Pra desh	985	912	-	-	-	-	-	-	2036	1700	-
17.	Kerala	45	57	-	3000-4000	-	-	- '	-	27	16	-
18.	Tamil Nadu	95	97	-	2300-2500	-	-	-	-	95	138	-
19.	West Bengal	353	335	155	-200-	-	-	39	44	108	108	• .
20.	Assam	376	325	-	5000-6000	-	-	1543	1440	123	246	-
21.	Tripura	-	-	-	-	- •	-	-	-	37	18	-
22	Nagaland	104	83	-	-	-	-	-	-	72	-	-
23.	Sikkim	4	2	-	·• -	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
24.	Manipur	31	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	໌ 62	152
25	Jammu & Kashmir	-		-	-	-	•	-	-	4	-	-

STATEMENT

Biological Control of Pests

*489. SHRI CHETAN P.S. CHAUHAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the progress made so far in regard to biological control of pests in the country;

(b) the amount spent during 1992-93 and 1993-94 on the research work; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to encorurage farmers to go in for biological control of pests?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) Sir, a number of effective biocontrol agents have been identified and technology for mass multiplication of major biocontrol agents i.e. Trichogramma, Chrysopa, Trichoderma, Nuclear Poly Hedrosis Virus (NPV) etc. has been established. (b) The amount spent on biological control research by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) is as under :

1992-93	Rs. 78.33 laki	ns
1993-94	Rs. 121.61 laki	ns

(c) The following are the steps taken to encourage farmers to promote biological control of pests :

(i) The existing biocontrol production Centres and Central Surveillance Stations have been re-organised into 26 Central Integrated pest Management Centres. 4 new such Centres would become operational during the Eighth Five Year Ptan. 31

- (ii) Providing grant-in-aid to the States/UTs. for setting up of State Biological Control Laboratories during the Eighth Plan Period.
- (iii) Registration of biocides Bacillus thuringiens is (B.t.) and neem based pesticides.
- (iv) Organising Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Farmers' Field Schools.
- (v) Organising IPM demonstrations.
- (vi) Funds have been provided under the IPM Farmer Field Schools and IPM demonst-
 - rations for the purchase of biocontrol agents.

Agreement between India and Turkey

*490. DR. K.V.R. CHOWDARY : SHRI KESRI LAL :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Turkey to further the existing co-operation in the Railway Sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total foreign exchange to be earned by the country as a result thereof;

(d) whether Indian Railway Construction Company (IRCON) is likely to secure any project from Turkish Railways; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the estimated cost of the project?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (c). Both sides agreed for more constructive interaction in the railway sector and extending this cooperation as also cooperation in training and R&D spheres. Indian side expressed interest in undertaking other electrification, signalling and track renewal works in Turkey. A specific project of electrification of Izmir Suburban section was mentioned for which Turkish side agreed to explore possibilities of negotiating the project between Turkish Railways and IRCON. The offer and detailed break up of cost for this project are yet to be negotiated with Turkish Railways. The rough cost has, however, been assessed to be in the region of USD 33.0 m. with foreign exchange earning of about 11 m. USD.

Scrap Material

*491 PROF. SAVITHRI LAKSHMANAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

 (a) whether a scarp management group has been set up in the Railway Board to monitor disposal of scrap;

(b) whether the Railway have maximised their income by disposing of its scrap material;

(c) if so, the details of revenue earned during the last three years, Zone-wise; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

- (c) A statement is encloed.
- (d) Does not arise.

STATEMENT

Revenue	Earnings	from	Scrap	Disposal	during	the
L	ast Three	years	s are g	jiven belo	w :	

		(Rs	. in crores)
Railway	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
Central	101.72	110.52	115.72
Eastern	89.03	95.65	117.10
Northern	117.56	134.63	180.21
North Eastern	21.44	32.12	42.68
Northeast Frontier	14.02	21.86	25.61
Southern	57.37	97.36	135.31
South Central	75.35	103.66	116.37
South Eastern	87.02	106.33	120.89
Western	90.16	109.81	121.10
Total	653.67	811.94	974.99
Production Units	25.27	37.74	42.76
Grand Total	678.94	849.68	1017.75

Edible Oils

*492. SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY : SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total quantity of various edible oils released by the NDDB during each of the last three years;

(b) whether there is a sharp cutdown in the supply of these oils recently leading to acute shortage in the market;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to improve the supply of these oils?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DR. BALRAM JAKHAR) : (a) The details of sales of edible oils by NDDB during last 3 years are as follows ?

Financial Year	Dhára Oils	Imported Oils		
1992-93	76,817	12,884		
1993-94	57,239	12,868		
1994-95	49,425	65,629		
Total	1,83,481	91,381		