

and seed orchards for a number of species to produce quality seeds. The seven Regional Centres of the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairy Development and the ICAR Institutes produce quality forage seeds. The National Wastelands Development Board (NWDB) provides financial assistance to the States under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Seed Development for establishing Seed Production Areas and Seed Orchards as well as identification of plus trees; purchase of essential equipment, machinery and setting up of seed Testing Laboratories/Seed Godowns; and training of manpower in seed development technology.

NWDB is also supporting quality forage seed production at different centres through the Indian Grassland and Fodder Research Institute, Jhansi.

(d) The States are being provided Central assistance for setting up suitable Seed Development and Certification facilities at the State level.

Shifting of Forest Service College

1708. SHRI ARVIND NETAM : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government had decided to shift State Forest Service College from Dehra Dun to Jabalpur;

(b) if so, the reasons for not transferring the said college upto now; and

(c) the time by which the college is likely to be shifted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The matter is still being pursued with the Government of Madhya Pradesh.

Coordinated project on Forest and Tribals

1709. SHRI ARVIND NETAM: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Forest Policy, 1988 has recognised the symbiotic relationship between forest and tribals;

(b) whether the Government propose to initiate an All India Coordinated Project on 'Forest & Tribal' for integrated development; if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Guidelines have been issued to the State Governments to associate village communities including tribal people in regeneration and protection of degraded forests on usufruct sharing basis. This will provide employment as well as base for economic sustenance.

[Translation]

Sanskrit Magazine

1710. SHRI ARVIND NETAM : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) since when the publication of 'Sanskrit' magazine published by Department of Culture has been stopped;

(b) the reasons for stopping its publication;

(c) whether there is any proposal to restore its modified publication; and

(d) if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI