

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

ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (d) The publication of 'Sanskriti' (a quarterly magazine in Hindi) was stopped in the Department of Education three years before, for some administrative reasons. However, Central Hindi Directorate, a subordinate office of the Department of Education is publishing a similar quarterly magazine 'Bhasa' in Hindi.

Atrocities Against Women in Orissa

1711. SHRI GOVINDA CHANDRA MUNDA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have studied the cases brought to their notice about the atrocities and harassment on women in tribal and harijan areas in Orissa during the last three years;

(b) if so, the facts of each case; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

[English]

World Bank's Assistance to Disease Eradication Programme

1712. SHRI RABI RAY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state;

(a) whether the World Bank has responded to the request of the Union Government to assist India's on-going diseases eradication programmes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) when Union Government is expected to receive the assistance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH

AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI-MATI D. K. THARADEVI SID-DHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The World Bank have shown interest in collaborative project in the field of health specially in the areas of AIDS Central Project, Prevention and Control of Malaria, Eradication of Leprosy Blindness Control Programme and Tuberculosis Programme. Project outlines in the areas of AIDS control, Malaria and Leprosy have already been forwarded to the World Bank. Project outlines in respect of Blindness Control Programme, Tuberculosis Control Programme for Health Services Development for Under-served areas are under formulation. During the preliminary discussions with the World Bank officials, it was mentioned by them that they would process the proposal on AIDS Control expeditiously. It is anticipated that an appraisal Mission may come in October/November 91. As the projects are still at the preliminary stage of discussions, it is not possible to indicate the exact amount of assistance.

Expansion and Modernisation of St. Stephen's Hospital

1713. SHRI RAMESH CHAND TOMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether United Kingdom has provided aid for the expansion and modernisation of St. Stephen's Hospital, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the amount of aid provided and the amount of aid yet to be provided by United Kingdom; and

(c) the details of the proposed scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI-MATI D. K. THARADEVI SID-DHARTHA): (a) to (c) The Overseas Development Administration United