

Sugarcane Cultivation in Orissa

2425. Shri Ulaka: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have given any financial help to Orissa for the development of sugarcane cultivation in the State during the period from 1959 to March, 1962; and

(b) if so, the amount of assistance given during the aforesaid period year-wise?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The amount of assistance given to the State Government for their sugar cane development scheme from 1959 to March, 62 is as follows:—

Year	Rs. in lakhs
1959-60	0.28
1960-61	0.23
1961-62	0.21 (estimated)

Regional Poultry Farm, Orissa

2426. Shri Ulaka: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of eggs produced in the Regional Poultry Farm in Orissa during the year 1961-62;

(b) whether the production of eggs in the poultry farm has shown any decline in comparison to the total production of eggs in 1960-61;

(c) if so, the reason therefor;

(d) the number of birds distributed by the said farm during 1961-62; and

(e) how this distribution compares with that of 1960-61?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) and (b). The Regional Poultry Farm, Bhubaneswar (Orissa) produced 88,853 eggs in 1961-62 against 52,551 eggs produced in 1960-61. There was, thus, no decline in egg production.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e). The farm distributed 9,089 birds in 1961-62 against 14,226 distributed in 1960-61. The decline was due to less demands from the neighbouring States.

Forest Development Programmes in Orissa

2427. Shri Ulaka: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the financial assistance given by Central Government to Government of Orissa for Forest Development Programmes in Orissa during the Second Five Year plan period;

(b) the details of amount spent under each scheme; and

(c) the amount allotted for the purpose during the Third Five Year Plan period?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) The Central financial assistance provided to Orissa Government for forest development programme during Second Five Year Plan period is as under:

(in lakhs of Rs.)

Year	Loans	Grant		Total
1956-57	2.380	0.455		2.835
1957-58	4.040	0.717		4.757
1958-59	6.760	8.380		15.140
1959-60	5.520	9.730		15.250
1960-61	6.120	6.310		12.430
	24.820	25.592		50.412