

<i>S. No.</i>	<i>Country visited</i>	<i>Dates of visit</i>	
6.	Paris	20.10.91	- 25.10.91

STATEMENT - IV*Details of Visits of Secretary (West) Abroad (1.7.91 to 15.11.91)*

<i>S.No.</i>	<i>Country visited</i>	<i>Dates of visit</i>	
1.	Pakistan	26.10.91	- 29.10.91
2.	Iran	9.11.91	- 12.11.91

Indira Gandhi Canal Project

3587. SHRI SHIV CHARAN MATHUR:
Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indira Gandhi Canal
Project in Rajasthan was scheduled to be
completed in all respects by the end of the
Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the
amount required for completion of the same;
and

(c) the various sources from which funds
are likely to be made available for completion
of the project?

THE MINISTER OF WATER
RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN
SHUKLA): (a) and (b). As per the Project
Report of 1984, the Indira Gandhi Nahar

Project was proposed to be completed by
1994-95. Stage-I of the project has been
completed. However, due to various reasons
like escalation, change in scope of project
with the decision to line the water-courses,
slow pace of colonisation due to lack of
infrastructure works necessitating inclusion
of roads, markets, drinking water supply and
afforestation as a part of project activities,
the State Government have now assessed
that the completion of the Stage-II project,
subject to availability of funds, will extend to
the Tenth Plan. They have, however, not
finalised the revised estimate with updated
cost of balance canal works and cost of lined
water course.

(c) The project, which is being executed
under the State Plan, has been receiving
Central assistance for canal works and water
courses. During the period 1985-1991, the
following Central assistance was extended
to the project:-

	<i>During VII Plan</i>	<i>1990-91 (Rs. Crores)</i>
- For water courses under Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Command Area Development	45.60	19.99
- For Canal works		

	<i>During VII Plan</i>	<i>1990-91 (Rs. Crores)</i>
(i) Advance Plan assistance	45.00	—
(ii) Drought Relief assistance	20.00	—
(iii) Border Area Development Grant	60.70.	28.60
Total for canal works	125.70	28.60

Fish Gene Bank

3588. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to states: the species of fish likely to be included in Fish Bank proposed to be set up at National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources (NBFGR) in U.P.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): Sir, it is proposed to include Mahaseer Species of *Tor putitora*, *tor Khudree* and *Tor tor* as well as species of Indian major carps *catla catla*, *Labio rohita* and *Cirrhinus mrigla* in the Gene Bank to be set up at the National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources.

Foreign Visits

3589. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the countries visited by him after assuming office; and

(b) the purpose of such visits and the expenditure incurred on him and his personal staff separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a)

and (b). The details of official visits abroad made by the Agriculture Minister after assuming office are as follows:

- (i) The Agriculture Minister visited Spain to participate in the 2nd Ministerial Level World Fisheries Conference held at La Toja, from 10-12 September, 1991. The expenditure sanctioned for Agriculture Minister for this visit was Rs. 86,267.00 and for the accompanying member of his personal staff was Rs. 4,826.00.
- (ii) The Agriculture Minister visited Italy to participate in the Commonwealth Agriculture Minister's meeting and the 26th FAO conference in Rome. During this tour he also visited United Kingdom and United Arab Emirates to explore possibilities of NRI investments in agriculture sector. The expenditure sanctioned for the Agriculture Minister for his tour abroad from 6-15 November, 1991 was Rs. 2,25,150.00. No member of his personal staff accompanied him during this visit.

Toxin Free Keshari Dal

3590. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state: