

established a network of sericulture units and is implementing a number of schemes for organising production and supply of tasar basic seed and for providing R & D, Extension & Training of tasar basic seed and for of Tropical/Temperate Tasar sericulture development in the country.

Impact of Dearness Allowance on Exchequer

4978. SHRI B.B. RAMAIAH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the impact on the exchequer due to increase in dearness allowance to the Central Government employees with effect from July 1, 1991 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE): The additional instalment of Dearness Allowance due from

1.7.1991 has been sanctioned in respect of Central Government employees drawing basic pay upto Rs. 3500/- per month. The estimated financial impact on account of this instalment in the current financial year is Rs. 510 crores.

Export of Medicinal Plants

4979. SHRI SURAY NARAYAN SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state the foreign exchange earnings from export of medicinal plants during each of the last three years; plant-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): A statement of state showing foreign exchange earnings out of export of medicinal plants, plant-wise, during the last three years is attached.