

	Overall performance (%)	Performance of West Bengal (%)
EWS Housing House-site-cum-Construction	49.51	3.34
<i>Assistance Scheme</i>		
(i) Allotment of house-sites	78.07	62.92
(ii) Construction assistance	50.49	64.57

Setting up of News Unit for Air at Sambalpar in Orissa

1692. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government had assured Government of Orissa to set up a separate News Unit for A.I.R. at Sambalpur in Orissa; and

(b) if so, the action taken in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Location of T.V. Centres in Backward Areas

1693. SHRI RADHAKANTA DIGAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether priority has been given for the location of Television Centres in the backward areas during the Sixth Plan;

(b) if so, the number of backward districts in Orissa which have been covered with such Television Centres during the above Plan period; and

(c) steps taken to provide Television facility in Phulbani District of Orissa.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL): (a) and (b): During VI Plan period, TV service has been extended to several backward districts in the country. At present, TV service is available in parts of nine backward districts of Orissa. Backwardness of the area is one of the criteria for setting up TV Centres.

(c) Extension of TV service to uncovered parts of the country, including Phulbani district of Orissa would depend on the availability of resources for this purpose during the future Plan periods.

Increase in Production of Oilseeds in Sixth Plan

1694. SHRI SOMNATH RATH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether steps have been taken by Government to increase the production of oil-seeds during the Sixth Plan;

(b) if so, the State-wise achievements made in the production of oil-seeds during the above plan period; and

(c) the details thereof?