

Coverage of Pune and Nasik Nagar Area by TV Net Work

409. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the area between Pune and Nasik Nagar is presently not being covered by TV network;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to take suitable measures to set up at least a Relay Centre so that the needs of the people of this area can be fully met;

(c) whether Government propose in addition, to extend the TV net work so as to cover places which are 25 kms apart; and

(d) the allocation made under the Seventh Plan for TV net work expansion ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL) :

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The 7th Plan, which includes proposals for further extension of TV service is yet to be approved.

Drought in Rajasthan

410. SHRI C. MADHAVA REDDY : SHRI N. VENKATARATNAM : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Rajasthan is again in the grip of drought and if so, whether adequate steps have been taken to offset distress and provide relief; and

(b) whether Government have worked out some method and mechanism for handling recurring drought condition in the country and if so, details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BUTA SINGH) : (a) According to the Government of Rajasthan, 21 District out of 27 Districts of the State have been affected by drought in 1984. The State Government

have already undertaken relief measures and Central assistance has already been provided.

(b) Two Programme. viz; Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) and Desert Development Programme (DDP) have been functioning since 1970-71 and 1977-78 respectively. The objectives of these Two Programmes are to develop the Drought Prone and Semi Arid Areas including agriculture developments and afforestation.

Potential of Inland and Marine Fisheries in the Country

411. SHRI C. MADHAV REDDI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the total potential of Inland and marine fisheries in the country and actual catch for last 3 years;

(b) whether India's vast potential is poorly utilised and if so, reasons thereof;

(c) whether National Commission for Agriculture had made any recommendations on the subject in 1976 and if so, details of implementation thereof;

(d) whether most of these recommendations remain unimplemented; and

(e) if so, steps taken in the direction of implementation ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BUTA SINGH) : (a) The National Commission on Agriculture envisaged a production level of 35 lakh tonnes and 45 lakh tonnes from marine and inland fisheries resources respectively by 2000 A.D. The actual catch for the last three years is as follows :

Year	Production in lakh tonnes		
	Marine	Inland	Total
1981	14	10	24
1982	14	9	23
1983	16	10	26

(Provisional)