

**Contract Labour System at the Godowns  
for Loading and Unloading**

349. SHRI THAMPAN THOMAS :  
Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL  
SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether most of the work at various godowns under his Ministry is being carried by labour engaged on contract basis ;

(b) whether this loading and unloading is carried out as manual work ;

(c) whether the contractors engaged in this business are required to use trolleys ;

(d) if so, whether the contractors are actually making use of trolleys ; and

(e) if not, whether Government propose to include a clause for use of trolleys in the contract with the contractors engaged for the loading and unloading work ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) and (b) The labour on contract basis is also engaged at godowns whenever required. The work is normally carried out manually.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Trolleys are used occasionally.

(e) There is no such proposal under consideration at present.

**World Bank Aided Fisheries Projects  
in the Country**

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

(a) the number of inland fisheries projects implemented in different States with World Bank assistance ;

(b) whether any such project has been implemented in Orissa with World Bank assistance so far ;

(c) if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) the steps taken by Government for the development of inland fishery in Orissa and other States ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BUTA SINGH) : (a) and (b) A World Bank assisted Inland Fisheries Project is under implementation in the States of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

(c) Under this project in Orissa it is envisaged to develop 16,000 ha. of water area for intensive fish farming through Fish Farmers Development Agencies set up in 11 districts. These Fish Farmers Development Agencies (FFDAs) will also impart training to 10,000 fish farmers to enable them to take up fish farming in village tanks and ponds. Construction and operation of 4 Fish Seed Hatcheries is also to be taken up to produce quality fish seed.

(d) Government of India have taken various steps to develop inland fishery in the country including Orissa besides the steps taken by the State Governments under State plan schemes. Some of the important steps are :-

i) Government of India is implementing FFDA programme for development of intensive fish farming in tanks and ponds in the country including Orissa.

ii) For creation of infrastructure for fish seed production, the following programmes have been launched by Government of India.

a) Setting up of Fish Seed Production units ranging from 2 to 5 ha. in 50 FFDA's including 2 in Orissa.

b) Setting up of commercial fish seed hatcheries for production of quality fish seed in 5 project States mentioned above.

c) Setting up of Fish Seed Hatcheries under National Fish Seed Programme in 12 States which are not covered by the World Bank Project.