

**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.

- iii) Imparting training to fish farmers through Fish Farmers' Development Agencies set up through out the country.
- iv) Arranging subsidy on reclamation of tanks and ponds and for 1st year inputs and loan through Institutional Finance.
- v) Technical and extension Support to Fish Farmers on continuing basis.
- vi) Demonstration of high yielding technology.
- vii) Conducting Seminars, Symposia, workshops to discuss policies and problems of culture fishery sector.
- viii) Arranging long term lease of tanks and ponds to trained fish farmers through FFDAs.
- ix) Development of 1,500 ha. of Brackish water area for intensive Prawn and fish farming including Orissa on an area development approach.

Unemployed registered in Employment Exchanges during 1982-84

351. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY :
SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH :
Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) the number of unemployed registered with employment exchange offices in the country as on 31 March, 1982, 31 March, 1983, 31 March, 1984 and 31 December, 1984 State-wise and qualification-wise; and

(b) how many during these periods have been sent for employment and how many have actually secured employment ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH) : (a) Available information is furnished in the statements I-IV laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-558/85].

(b) Relevant information is furnished in the statements V-VIII laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library, See No. LT-558-85].

Increase in Agricultural Production during Sixth Plan

352. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK :
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether his Ministry had taken steps to maximise agricultural production in different States during the Sixth Plan period;

(b) if so, what specific steps had been taken therefor in Orissa during the above plan period; and

(c) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BUTA SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The specific steps taken to increase agricultural production and productivity in Orissa during the Sixth Plan period include the following:

(i) A Pilot Project for increasing Rice Production in the Eastern States has been taken up during 1984-85 as a Central Sector Scheme. This programme has been implemented in seven selected blocks of Orissa State for which a sum of Rs. 66.01 lakh was sanctioned to the State Government to overcome the short-term constraints for increasing the production and productivity of rice.

(ii) A Centrally Sponsored Scheme of assistance to Small and Marginal farmers for increasing Agricultural Production has been implemented since 1983-84. Under this scheme, an annual outlay of Rs. 5 lakh per block has been ear-marked. The Government of India's share is 50% i.e. Rs. 2.50 lakh per block. The scheme is in operation in all the 314 blocks of Orissa. A sum of Rs. 433.32 lakh was released during 1983-84 and Rs. 495.68 lakh during 1984-85 as Central share to the State Government.

(iii) The Central Sector Scheme for propagation of water conservation/harvesting technology for dry farming areas