

(c) the time by which work is planned to be completed and the estimated cost of the project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) All major facilities planned for the first phase have been provided.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

#### Projects Undertaking by CIFRI Barrackpore

3140. SHRI AMAL DATTA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the projects undertaken by the Central Inland Fisheries Research Institute, Barrackpore during the last three years;

(b) cost of these projects; and

(c) what are the specific functions assigned to and achievements made by this Institute during the last three years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) The major projects undertaken by the Central Inland Fisheries Research Institute during the last three years are :

- (i) Inland Capture Fisheries Management, (Riverine and Lacustrine)
- (ii) Frog Culture.
- (iii) Coldwater fisheries;
- (iv) Freshwater Aquaculture;
- (v) Brackishwater Aquaculture;
- (vi) Transfer of technology through Krishi Vigyan Kendras, Trainers Training Centre; Operational Reserch Project, Lab-to-Land Programme and extension work.

(b) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

(c) The specific functions assigned to the Institute were research on capture fisheries management, frog culture, coldwater fisheries, brackishwater fish culture, freshwater fish culture and extension and training programmes.

#### Achievements

The Institute has made significant achievements in the following :

- (i) A new production technology for shrimps and paddy-cum-shrimp culture system suitable for high saline coastal tracts;
- (ii) Hatchery system for brackishwater shrimps including tiger shrimp;
- (iii) Off-season breeding of carps for year-round production of carp seed;
- (iv) Development of an innovative technology for production of 15 million fry/ha/crop of 15 days;
- (v) Low cost carp production system based on duckweed as feed (4 tonnes/ha);
- (vi) Technology for production of 140 to 180 kg/year/10 sq.m. in floating cages;
- (vii) Breeding and nursery management for golden mahaseer, *Tor putitora* and snow trout for the first time in India;
- (viii) Breeding Indian major carps at high altitude station (4,000 feet above mean sea level) for the first time in India;
- (ix) Culture of commercial frog *Rana tigrina*. 2892 persons including farmers, entrepreneurs, extension workers, development officers etc. were trained in carp culture, air-breathing fish culture, integrated farming and other technologies developed by the Institute through extension programmes under the Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Trainers'

Training Centre Operational Research Project and Lab-to-Land programme.

adopted by the Conference reflected sufficiently the suggestions made by the Indian Delegation based on the programmes and policies adopted by our Government.

#### F.A.O. Conference in Rome

3141. SHRI B. V. DESAI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether delegates from 156 countries attended the 3 week conference of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation held in Rome on 10 November, 1985;

(b) if so, whether improvement to the world food situation was the main item of the agenda discussed;

(c) if so, the suggestions made by the Indian delegation in the conference; and

(d) which of the suggestions have been accepted by the conference ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) to (d). Delegates from over 120 Member Countries out of a total membership of 158, participated in the 23rd Biennial FAO Conference held in Rome from 9th to 28th November, 1985. The Indian Delegation was led by Minister of Agriculture who was elected as one of the Vice-Chairman of the Conference. The World Food Situation was among the main items on the Agenda. The other main items included World Food Security Compact, Pledging targets of World Food Programme, International Code of Conduct on the Distribution and Use of Pesticides, Review of the Work of various Committees of FAO and the Budget of the FAO for the Biennium 1986-87. During the deliberations of the conference the Indian Delegation stressed the importance of the role of the FAO for improvement of the food and agriculture situation particularly in the developing countries and the need for greater South-South, as also North-South, cooperation with a view to achieving progress in the field of food and agriculture. India's achievements in the field of food and agriculture were highly appreciated. The Resolutions

#### Setting up of Separate Trust for Gratuity Funds

3142. SHRI SUBHASH YADAV :  
SHRI DHARAM PAL SINGH  
MALIK :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal for setting up of a separate trust for the administration of gratuity funds on the lines of provident fund scheme;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal; and

(c) the time by which this scheme is likely to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH) : (a) to (c). A suggestion for making a suitable provision in the Payment of Gratuity Act for compulsory insurance of employers' liability/setting up of a separate trust fund, for payment of gratuity was considered at the Indian Labour Conference held on 25th and 26th November, 1985 and was generally accepted. The recommendation of the Conference will be considered along-with other proposals for further action.

#### Schemes for Vocational Education of Child Labourers

3144. DR. PHULRENU GUHA : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) what are the schemes for vocational education and/or normal education of child labourers;

(b) number of schemes functioning now and how many more schemes will be started in 1985-86; and

(c) names of places where the schemes are implemented and number of students benefiting thereunder.?