

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The State Government of Kerala has proposed to create an additional irrigation potential of 59,354 hectares during 1987-88.

**Flood relief to Orissa and
Andhra Pradesh**

5755. SHRI T. BALA GOUD : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any Central team visited the States of Andhra Pradesh and Orissa to assess the requirement of fund for flood relief measures;

(b) if so, the recommendation made by the team; and

(c) the funds released during the year 1986-87 to the States for the purpose ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) A Central Team visited the State of Andhra Pradesh in September/October, 1986 to assess the requirement of funds for flood relief measures. No team was sent to Orissa as no memorandum from the Government of Orissa seeking assistance for flood relief was received.

(b) and (c). On the basis of the report of the Central Team and recommendations of the High Level Committee on Relief, a ceiling of expenditure of Rs. 132.37 crores has been approved to Andhra Pradesh for flood relief for the year 1986-87. Against the said ceiling of expenditure, a non-plan grant of Rs. 86.97 crores and Advance Plan Assistance of Rs. 2.00 crores has been released to the Government of Andhra Pradesh in the year 1986-87.

Seeds villages for oilseeds and pulses

5756. SHRI T. BALA GOUD : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state ;

(a) whether Government propose to set up seed villages for the production of seeds of pulses and oilseeds to enable the farmers to increase the production; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b). There is no such proposal in case of pulses. However, for oilseeds, financial assistance of Rs. 150/- per quintal on the quantity of certified seed produced under seed village scheme for groundnut and soybean is provided in the Centrally Sponsored National Oilseeds Development Project.

Import of pig iron

5757. SHRI T. BALA GOUD : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity and value of pig iron imported during the year 1986-87;

(b) the names of the countries from which the imports were made; and

(c) the reasons for the imports ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) Canalised import of pig iron through MMTC during April, 1986 to February, 1987 was 14134 tonnes, valued at Rs. 2.59 crores.

(b) The imports have been made from Brazil.

(c) Import is allowed as domestic production is not enough to meet the requirements of the consumers in full.

Power tillers

5758. SHRI T. BALA GOUD : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :