

West Bengal	:	i) Calcutta city and ii) 1/3 number of blocks.
Kerala	:	The entire State.
Karnataka	:	i) 20 taluks by March 1990. ii) 40 additional taluks by February 1991
Maharashtra	:	i) Sindhudurg and Wardha districts. ii) Additional 1 taluk per district.
Orissa	:	i) 1,000 Panchayats.
Gujarat	:	The entire State.

Action Plan for Increasing of Rice Production in Kerala

426. SHRI T. BASHEER: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kerala Government has submitted an action plan for increasing rice production in Kerala for inclusion in the Special Foodgrain Production Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Union Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Government proposed for inclusion of three districts of Kerala viz; Ernakulam, Trichur and Palghat under the Special Foodgrains Production Programme-Rice.

(c) The State of Kerala could not be

included under the Special Foodgrains Production Programme-Rice as none of the districts in the State could meet the criteria set out by the Task Force set up for the purpose.

Scarcity of Drinking Water in Orissa

427. SHRI HARIHAR SOREN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the drinking water problem remains very acute during summer in some parts of Orissa, particularly in the tribal and remote areas;

(b) if so, the steps taken to accelerate drinking water supply to those areas:

(c) whether Government are launching any special scheme to provide adequate drinking water in those scarcity areas;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which every village in the State will be provided with potable water?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY):

(a) Yes, Sir,

(b) to (d). In order to accelerate drinking water supply to the remote and tribal areas of Orissa, three Mini-Mission Project areas have been taken up in the districts of Koraput, Phulbani, five block of Ganjam and tribal district of Mayurbhanj under National Drinking Water Mission in addition to the normal programmes of State Sector Minimum Needs Programme (MNP) and Centrally Sponsored Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP). Detailed Project Reports for these districts have been approved at a total cost of Rs. 11.45 crores out of which Rs. 4.35 crores have already been released so far.

For tackling the problems of excess iron in the State, 1500 iron removal plants are being set up. In order to have a better water quality, funds amounting to Rs. 7.06 lakhs have already been released to set up six stationer water quality resting laboratories in the districts of Phulbani, Mayurbhanj, Ganjam, Keonjhar, Koraput and Kalahandi and one Mobile water testing laboratory.

(e) All the problem villages in the State will be provided with safe drinking water facilities during the current financial year i.e. by 31.3. 1990.

Contribution of Faculty of Psychology of NIRD, Hyderabad in Training Research and Consultancy

428. SHRI G. BHOOPATHY:
SHRI MANIK REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the contribution of Faculty of Psychology of the National Institute of Rural Development at Hyderabad since 1985 onwards in training research and consultancy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY):

(a) The Faculty of Psychology of the National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad is concerned with human behaviour in the context of rural development. Training undertaken by this faculty is oriented to understand the magnitude and impact of these factors to predict behavioral patterns in programme implementation. It undertakes specific research on the impact of human factors on development and vice versa. The research and training are directed towards formulation of strategies for development.

Since 1985, the Faculty of Psychology has organised 42 training programmes (including 12 sponsored) and completed 10 research studies (including 1 sponsored). At present 7 research studies are in progress of which 3 are sponsored projects.

It is presently coordinating the activities of the Social Laboratory/Action Research Programme of National Institute of Rural Development in a Mandal of Rangareddy district of Andhra Pradesh.

It is also handling two action research projects viz., (a) Action Research Programme in developing the village community by integrating basic needs and ecological resource perspectives; and (b) Community Information and Planning Systems (CIPS) sponsored by the Centre for integrated Rural Development for Asia and Pacific (CIRDAP).

[Translation]

Opening of New Kendriya Vidyalaya in Barabanki (U.P)

429. SHRI KAMLA PRASAD RAWAT :
Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set