

**Purchase of Tendu Leaves**

1024. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether millions of tribals in several districts of Madhya Pradesh are struggling for survival because of State Government refusal to purchase tendu leaves from the tribals;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof ; and

(c) the beneficiary oriented scheme introduced for providing alternate sources of incomes to the tribals displaced and deprived of collecting tendu leaves, salwood, etc.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b). Information is being collected from the State Government and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) A new scheme entitled, "Eco-development of Areas In and Around National Parks and Sanctuaries" has been launched to achieve sustainable development and improvement on the quality of life of the local people. Other centrally sponsored schemes for afforestation and nature conservation also provide new avenues of employment to local people.

[*Translation*]

**Death of Deer in National Zoological Park, Delhi.**

1025. SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM:  
SHRI TARA CHAND  
KHANDELWAL:

SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH:  
SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU:  
SHRI MOHAN SINGH (DEORIA):  
SHRI M.V. CHAN <sup>DR.</sup> SEKHRA MURTHY;  
SHRI RAJESH KUMAR:  
SHRIMATI BHAVNA CHIKHILIA:  
SHRI RAM NARESH SINGH:  
SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA:  
SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a few deer died in the National Zoological Park, Delhi in June, 1992;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any inquiry has been conducted into the incident;

(d) if so, the outcome thereof and the action taken against the persons held responsible therefor; and

(e) the measures taken to prevent such incidents in the future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b). 4 deer and 21 black bucks died in the National Zoological Park, Delhi, during June, 1992.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) while one female sambhar died due to drowning, three other deers died to tuberculosis, rupture of rumen and septicaemia.

None of these deaths were attributed to any negligence on the part of the staff.

The death of 21 black bucks was due to injury and shock caused by the stealthy entry of dogs in the black buck enclosure on two occasions between 8th and 9th June, 1992. Enquiry has revealed certain laxity on the part of security staff. Disciplinary action has been ordered against the persons concerned.

(e) Measures taken to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future include:

(i) elimination of stray dogs from zoo premises;

(ii) Strengthening of the barriers of the animal enclosures and the boundary wall of the zoo; and

(iii) tightening up of the security in the zoo.

[English]

**Job-Oriented Education**

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1026. SHRI SUBASH CHANDRA  
NAYAK:  
DR. VASANT NIWRUTTI  
PAWAR:  
SHRI MAHENDRA  
KUMAR SINGH  
THAKUR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to lay emphasis on the joboriented education in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any review has been made of the implementation of the existing schemes drawn up in this regard; and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b). There is already considerable thrust in the National Policy on Education (NPE), 1986 as modified in 1992 on vocational education with the objective of enhancing individual employability, and reducing the mismatch between and supply of skilled man-power (Paras 5.16 to 5.23 of the policy). The need to have a large number of teachers and professionals in vocational education has been recognised (para 6.9). Technical demand and management education have been dealt with at length in Paras 6.1 to 6.11 in the NPE, 1986 as modified in 1992. There is stress also on work experience organised as an integral part of the learning process (para 8.14 of the policy). All aspects of a possible joboriented education policy are, thus, already enshrined in the NPE, 1986 as modified in 1992.

(c) and (d). The implementation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Vocation-alisation of Secondary Education has been reviewed in consultation with States /UTs/ NCERT and other experts. Based on these discussions and the experience gained in implementation over the last four years, certain modifications are proposed to be made, including enhancement of the financial ceiling for various components of the scheme. The revisions will be taken up for implementation after necessary approvals have been obtained.

The UGC's scheme of Restructuring of