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### **Feeds for Prawn Culture**

1713 PROF RADHIKA RANJAN PRAMANIK Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state

(a) the quantum of feeds for prawn culture imported annually,

(b) the percentage of the said feed produced indigenously to the total requirement in the country

(c) whether the Government have made efforts to produce the required feeds indigenously and

(d) if so the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN) (a) and (b) About 6243 tonnes of shrimp feed valued at Rs 1,135.65 lakhs was imported during 1991. About 30-40% of the total feed requirement for semi-intensive and intensive shrimp farming is imported annually.

(c) Yes, Sir. Government are encouraging establishment of modern feed mills in the country,

(d) Government have approved setting of a number of joint sector feed mills plants of which one has already been commissioned and others are in various stages of implementation. Under the World Bank assisted

Shrimp & Fish Culture Project it is planned to set up Shrimp feed mills in the private sector. Government also propose to give financial incentives for setting up of Shrimp feed plants in the Eighth Five Year Plan.

### **Drinking Water Supply Scheme of Maharashtra**

1714 SHRI RAM NAIK Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) whether World Bank and the British Government have agreed to assist drinking water schemes of cities in Maharashtra,

(b) if so, the names of these cities and

(c) the details of financial aid being given by both the foreign agencies separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUNACHALAM) (a) to (c) There is already an ongoing water supply and sewerage project for Bombay City with World Bank assistance of US \$ 185 million which was agreed to on 12.5.87. There has been no further agreement with the World Bank to assist drinking water schemes in other cities of Maharashtra.

As regards U.K. assistance, an agreement has been signed between the Government of India and the Government of the United Kingdom on 18.9.91 for assistance to the tune of # 14.13 million as local costs and # 2.33 million as technical cooperation for drinking water supply schemes in 210 villages and one small town in three Districts of Northern Maharashtra viz. Nasik, Jalgaon and Dhule.