

Production of Sugar in Tamil Nadu

2491. DR (SHRIMATI) K.S. SOUNDARAM: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the share of Tamil Nadu in the total production of sugar in the country upto September in the current year;

(b) the percentage of increase registered in sugar production as compared to that of last year; and

(c) the total quantity of sugar produced in Tamil Nadu during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) Out of 132.77 lakh tonnes (provisional) of sugar produced in the country during 1991-92 (October-September) season, the sugar factories in Tamil Nadu produced 12.55 lakh tonnes, which is 9.45% of the total production in the country.

(b) During 1991-92 season, the sugar factories in Tamil Nadu produced 12.55 lakh tonnes (provisional) of sugar as against 11.83 lakh tonnes during the season 1990-91, which shows an increase of 6.09%.

(c) The required information is as under:-

<i>Sugar-Year (October-September)</i>	<i>Production Lakh tonnes</i>
1988-89	10.04
1989-90	8.89
1990-91	11.83

Students sent Abroad

2492. SHRIRAMESH CHENNITHALA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students sent abroad for higher studies during the current academic year, Country-wise break-up; and

(b) the total expenditure incurred by the Government on each student who had gone abroad for study during the current year?

year 1992-93, 114 scholars have gone abroad so far under the bilateral arrangements and Cultural Exchange Programme operated directly by the Department of Education, as per country-wise break-up below:-

A.R.E. (Egypt)	1
Australia	1
Canada	18
China	9
Checkoslovakia	6
France	1

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) During the academic