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Expenditure On Renovation of Bungalows

629. SHRI SIMON M.RANDI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the Ministry-wise/Department-wise details of the expenditure incurred on the decoration, repair and renovation of the bungalows and on furniture of the present Minister since June 1991 till date;

(b) whether the Government have fixed any limit of the expenditure on building, furniture, decoration and electricity etc. for various Ministers:

(c) if so, the details of the Ministers who have followed the said limit and the details of such Ministers on whom more than one lakh rupees have been spent and the details of their payment etc.; and

(d) the number of such MPs against whom more than fifty thousand rupees are outstanding under the head of rent of residence, electricity, water etc. and the details of the action taken so far for the recovery of the same.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Foodgrains Production

[*English*]

630. PROF. UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether total foodgrain production in

the country during 1991-92 has fallen down as compared to the previous year;

(b) if so, the actual shortfall and reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken to boost up foodgrain production during 1992-93?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The production of foodgrains during 1991-92 is estimated to be 167.06 million tonnes which is less by 9.33 million tonnes in comparison to 176.39 million tonnes achieved during 1990-91. The shortfall is attributed to unfavourable weather conditions that prevailed in Haryana, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh & Bihar particularly during the south-west monsoon season (June to September, 1991).

(c) In addition to ensuring remunerative prices to the growers for their produce, the steps being taken to increase foodgrains production during 1992-93 include the on-going special thrust programmes like Special Foodgrains Production Programme (SFPP) - Wheat, and Maize & Millets; Integrated Programme for Rice Development (IPRD); National Pulses Development Programme (NPDP) etc. including Mini Kit Programme.

Financial Assistance For Jails

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631. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government of Maharashtra have sent any proposal to the Union