

[English]

Fishing Jetty at Talchua

5863. SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for the collapse of Talchuna fishing jetty at construction stage;

(b) whether the Government have asked the Government of Orissa to stop the construction of that fishing jetty;

(c) if so, the steps taken by the State Government thereon;

(d) the amount already spent on the construction of that fishing Jetty; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The fishing Jetty (Quay) at Talchua did not totally collapse but only one portion of super-structure was damaged due to heavy scouring by tidal flow.

(b) and (c). Government of India have not asked the Government of Orissa to stop the construction of fishing Jetty at Talchua. However, State Government have constituted a committee of experts to furnish a report, indicating soundness of technical design, extent of damage, quality of work done, probable cause of damage and to suggest remedial measures to be taken to protect the Jetty from damage in future.

(d) and (e). Government of India have sanctioned the project for development of fish landing centre at Talchua at a total cost of Rs. 84.94 lakhs. An amount of about Rs. 80.00 lakhs has been spent and about 85% of the project work has been completed.

Technology Mission for Spices

5864. SHRI A. VENKATESH NAIK:
SHRI V.S. VIJAYA-
RAGHAVAN

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Governments of Kerala and Karnataka have requested the Union Government to provide financial assistance for setting up of Technology Mission for the development of spices in the States;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Vacancies of Teachers

5865. SHRI PHOOL CHAND VERMA:
SHRI N.J. RATHVA:

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