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Statement Showing Details of achievement on Mahila Samriddhi Yojana

SI.	States/UTs	No. of	Amount
No		Accounts	Deposited
		Opened upto	Upto Jan.
		January 1995	1995
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1497734	134571830
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	561	86914
З.	Assam	498014	23635292
4.	Bihar	216400	21729545
5.	Delhi	2990	568347
6.	Goa	15555	2474436
7.	Gujarat	125233	25121695
8.	Haryana	137540	23280714
9.	Himachal Fradesh	62210	13941810
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	18309	2138851
11.	Karnataka	619987	76555664
12.	Kerala	320311	30770112
13.	Madhya Pradesh	675099	45038959
14.	Maharashtra	333485	52766592
15.	Manipur	5862	236608
16.	Meghalaya	834	51468
17.	Mizoram	4056	443776
18.	Nagaland	557	88222
19.	Orissa	218065	28548283
20.	Punjab	248150	27318972
21.	Rajasthan	110707	18585154
22.	Sikkim	859	28926
23.	Tamil Nadu	1562663	76715432
24.	Tripura	11127	1024257
25.	Uttar Pradesh	846392	97808643
26.	West Bengal	137983	21901082
27.	Andaman & N Islands	2596	216834
28.	Chandigarh	3546	179539
29.	D & N Haveli	1412	169510
30.	Daman & Diu	305	58196
31.	Lakshadweep	970	133496
32.	Pondicherry	12666	508996
	Total	7692186	726698153

Gauge Conversion between Mansi-Forbisganj Railway Line

252. SHRI SURYA NARAIN YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any outline has been formulated by the Government in regard to conversion of metre gauge railway line into broad gauge railway line;

(b) if so, whether Mansi-Forbisganj railway line of Bihar has been included for gauge conversion during the current year; and (c) the time by which this work is likely to start?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A survey has been taken up for conversion of Mansi-Forbisganj. Further consideration of the proposal will be possible once the survey report becomes available.

Research Centre for Fruits and Vegetables

253. SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up some research centres for vegetables and fruits in the State of Uttar Pradesh during the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alorigwith their locations identified so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Procurement by FCI

254. SHRI RAJ NARAIN: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

 (a) whether the Food Corporation of India is going to introduce wheat procurement scheme during the current Rabi season 1995-96 to streamline the Public Distribution System;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the quantity of wheat procured during the last year and likely to be procured during the current year;

(d) the amount of subsidy provided to FCI for per tonne wheat, rice and sugar during the last two years; and

(e) the handling charges paid by the Food Corporation of India on procurement of per tonne wheat, rice and sugar during this period?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b). Food Corporation of India in collaboration with State Government/State procuring agencies will start procuring wheat from 1st April, 1995 for the ensuring Rabi Marketing Season 1995-96 at the Minimum Support Price of Rs. 360/- per quintal.

(c) A quantity of 118.69 lakh tonnes of wheat has been procured by public procuring agencies for Central Pool upto 1.3.1995 in the current 1994-95 Rabi Marketing Season.

As per preliminary estimates given by the State Governments, the procurement of wheat during the ensuing Rabi Marketing Season 1995-96 is likely to be 130.00 lakh tonnes.

(d) and (e). A statement is enclosed.

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Amount of subsidy and handling cost on wheat and rice (per qtl.) and carrying cost during the last two years 1993-94 and 1994-95

Year	Amount of Sub	osidy	Levy C	arrying Cost of Handling	Cost (Distribution Cost)	
	Wheat	Rice	Sugar	Buffer Stock	Wheat	Rice
1993-94	176.15	164.68	30.92	117.16	117.44	124.45
1994-95(R.E.)	163.47	125.78	17.18	103.62	117.96	126.44

Setting up of Central Hindi and Urdu Universities

255. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to open Central Hindi and Urdu Universities; and

(b) if so, the locations thereof and the time by which these will be opened?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b). A decision has been taken to establish two new Central Universities viz. Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya at Wardha and Maulana Azad National Urdu University at Hydarabad. Action has been initiated to prepare Drafts of the Legislations for constituting the two Universities.

[English]

'Environment and Forestry Projects of Andhra Pradesh'

256. SHRI YELLAIAH NANDI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the project relating to environment and forest submitted by the Government of Andhra Pradesh seeking foreign assistance during the last 2 years and also as on March 1, 1995;

(b) the details of the projects launched with such assistance and the progress made so far, projec:t-wise; and

(c) the reasons for pendency in the remaining cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (c). Based on information available, the details of the projects implemented or under implementation by the Government of Andhra Pradesh during the last two years and their present status are given in the attached statement.

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SI. No.	Name of the Project	Funding Agency	Amount of Foreign aid involved (in million)	Status of the Project.
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Forestry Project	World Bank	US \$77.40	Ongoing
2.	Social Forestry Project.	CIDA	Ca. \$17.28	completed
3.	Industrial Pollution Control Project, Phase-II (to be also implemented in Karnataka, Rajasthar & Madhya Pradesh).		US \$180.00	Under Negotiation
4.	Environmental protection & Training Research Institute, Hyderabad.	sweden	SEK 15.00	Ongoing