

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) Production of foodgrains, which became possible by the adoption of developed cultivation practices including use of new varieties, is as below :

	(Million Tonnes)
1992-93	179.48
1993-94	182.12
1994-95	186.32 (Likely)

(b) to (d). The knowledge of developed cultivation system is being imparted to farmers through demonstrations, trainings, visits to exhibitions, fairs and developed areas. The knowledge is also imparted through print and electronic media and through farmer's scientist's interaction.

(e) Efforts are being made on pilot basis in two districts in each of six States viz., Bihar, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh and one each in the State of Manipur and Tripura to involve NGO's in transfer of developed technology.

#### Production for Export

5936. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI :  
SHRI JAGMEET SINGH BRAR :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have formulated any special scheme to promote the production of certain items to increase the exports under Agriculture Sector;

(b) if so, the detailed outlines of the scheme;

(c) whether the Government have also allocated any additional amount on the annual basis for the implementation of the scheme;

(d) if so, the amount allocated for this purpose;

(e) whether the Government had implemented such scheme during the past years also; and

(f) if so, the names of the schemes and the years in which these were started, separately, and the value of exports increased as a result thereof, as compared to the previous years?

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) to (f). Development scheme of the Ministry of Agriculture focus on increasing the agricultural production which interalia increases the domestic availability and generates larger surpluses for export. To facilitate the export of agricultural products, the Ministry has taken initiative to improve infrastructural facilities, develop marketing infrastructure and establish market information service.

#### Railway Projects

5937. SHRI N.J. RATHVA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the names of ongoing Railway Projects in Gujarat till April, 1995, the completion of which is likely to be delayed due to financial constraints; and

(b) the names of the projects, the completion schedule of which has been extended and owing to which the construction work on the projects has been adversely affected?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) and (b). The project which are likely to be delayed due to financial constraint are :

(i) Kapadvanj-Modasa new line

(ii) Godhra-Indore new line

These projects are expected to be completed in the 9th Plan period. The completion schedule has not been fixed so far. The progress of these works is dependent on the funds made available by the Planning Commission from year to year for construction of new lines which are funded out of budgetary support.

#### Railway Projects

5938. SHRI DATTA MEGHE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the details of ongoing Railway Projects in Maharashtra, district-wise; and

(b) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) and (b). The details of projects serving Maharashtra are as under :

Name of Project	Current status/targetted date for completion	Anticipated Cost (Rs. in Crores)
1	2	3
<b>I. NEW LINES</b>		
(i) Konkan Railway (Roha-Mangalore) (837 kms.)	31.12.1995	1786

1	2	3
(ii) Amravati-Narkhed (138 kms.)	Work is already in progress. Land acquisition work is Going on. Actual construction will be taken up once land is available.	121
(iii) Ahmednagar-Beed-Parli Vaijanath (250 kms.)	Work included in 1995-96 Budget. Actual construction will be taken up after necessary approvals have been obtained.	353
<b>II. GAUGE CONVERSIONS</b>		
(i) Parbhani-Mudkhed-Adilabad (246 kms.)		188.01
(A) Parbhani-Purna(29 kms.)	Completed.	
(B) Purna-nanded(32 kms.)	Completed.	
(C) Nanded-Mudkhed(23 kms.)	1995-96	
(D) Mudkhed-Adilabad (162 kms.)	1996-97	
(ii) Gondia-Chanda Fort (242 kms.)		158.83
(A) Gondia-Wadsa (104 kms.)	Completed.	
(B) Wadsa-Chanda Fort (138 kms.)	1996-97	
(iii) Solapur-Bijapur (109 kms.)	Approval of the Planning Commission to the Project has been received. Preliminary arrangements for talking up the work are on hand.	180
(iv) Miraj-Latur (359.)		225
(v) Daund-Baramati (42 kms.)	Completed.	15.90
<b>III. ELECTRIFICATION</b>		
At present there is no on going electrification project in Maharashtra. District wise details are not maintained.		

*[English]***Organic Manure**

5939. SHRI RAMA KRISHNA KONATHALA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have any plans to commission bio-conversion units by making use of garbage into organic manure; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) and (b). Government under a Centrally Sponsored Scheme Balanced and Integrated Use of Fertilisers have been providing financial assistance to States for setting up units for conversion of city garbage into compost through Municipalities.

During the Eighth Plan under this scheme, a provision for setting up 10 units has been made with financial assistance of Rs. 20 lakhs per Municipality.

*[Translation]***Movement of Goods**

5940. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railways have shown dismal performance in regard to loading and movement of goods;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the railways have utilised their capacity to the maximum in handling the goods during the last three years; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). The rail transport capacity could not be utilized in full in certain months mainly on account of inadequate offer of traffic from certain core sectors of the economy.