

Photo-Voltaic Pumps

8081. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to install, 50,000 solar photo-voltaic pumps for irrigation purposes in a phased manner in the country;

(b) the States where these pumps are proposed to be installed;

(c) the criteria adopted for selection of the beneficiaries for this purpose; and

(d) the cost of each such solar pump ?

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) Government prepared a Plan in 1992-93 to instal 50,000 solar photovoltaic water pumping systems for agriculture and related uses in the country in a phased manner. As a first phase Government launched a project on 15th August, 1993 for deployment of 1000 SPV pumping systems under market oriented scheme.

(b) In a market oriented scheme statewise targets can not have been fixed. However, 645 SPV pumping systems have been installed in 21 States and UTs.

(c) The scheme is open to all categories of users including individual farmers, NGOs, autonomous institutions, banks, public sector undertaking, corporate bodies, cooperative societies etc.

(d) The cost of the SPV pumping system mainly depends upon the capacity of the PV array and type of pump. The cost of the SPV pumping systems varies according to the different capacities. The cost of 900 Wp pump which is commonly used capacity is of the order of Rs. 2.25 lakhs.

[Translation]

Leprosy Patients

8082. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of leprosy patients in Maharashtra as on date ;

(b) the number of leprosy eradication centres in Maharashtra ;

(c) the nature of assistance provided by the Union Government to these centres during each of the last two years; and

(d) the amount of assistance likely to be provided to these centres during 1995-96 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) As on 31.3.95. there are 46372 leprosy cases on record in the State of Maharashtra.

(b) 1345 Leprosy Eradication Centres are functioning in the State of Maharashtra

(c) Financial assistance provided by the Central Government to the State of Maharashtra for National Leprosy Eradication Programme activities during the last two years is as under :

Year	(Rs. in lakhs)		
	Assistance provided		
	Cash	Kind	Total
1993-94	30.00	18.95	48.95
1994-95	20.25	76.86	97.11

(d) The financial assistance proposed for the years 1995-96 is as under :

(Rs. in lakhs)		
Cash	Kind	Total
20.00	135.00	155.00

[English]

I.A.S. Cadre for Each State

8083. SHRI LAETA UMBREY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to create separate I.A.S cadre for each State :

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) if not, the reasons therefore;

(d) whether any State Government has submitted proposal for bifurcation of AGMUT cadre ; and

(e) if so, the details of the Government reaction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (e) Separate I.A.S cadres exist for all States, except the Joint Cadres of Assam Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh-Goa-Mizoram-Union Territories and Manipur-Tripura. A proposal from the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh requesting for formation of a separate cadre for IAS., IPS and IFS for Arunachal Pradesh was considered. However, the same was not found feasible.

Tobacco Related Disease

8084 SHRIMATI BHAVNA CHIKHALIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state .

(a) the W.H.O guidelines and other decisions for the eradication of tobacco related disease

(b) whether the Government is party to these guidelines/decisions;

(c) if so, the steps being taken to implement them ; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefore ?