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| (viii) | Sets of tools and equipments purchased for demonstrations | 411 ha   |
| (ix)   | Training  | 4943 farmers &<br>164 officials.                   |
| (x)    | Project functionaries trained                             | 2 Nos.   |
| (xi)   | Adaptive Research   | No adaptive research undertaken under this scheme. |

**Upgradation on Aromatic and Medicinal Plants Research Centre, Odakkall Kerala**

1590. SHRI P.A. ANTONY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to State:

(a) whether there is any proposal to upgrade the Aromatic and Medicinal Plants Research Centre, Odakkali, of the Kerala Agricultural University to a National Lemon-grass Development Centre, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Irrigated Agricultural Land in Karnataka**

1591. SHRI C.P. MUDALAGIRIYAPPA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of irrigated agricultural land in Karnataka and other Southern States;

(b) whether this percentage is conspicuously low in Karnataka for the last several years; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to increase this percentage expeditiously?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) The percentages of irrigated area in Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Tamil Nadu, as per land use statistics for 1986-87 (last available), are 19.0, 37.3, 14.8 and 43.7 respectively.

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. The irrigation schemes are planned, funded and implemented by the State Governments. Central assistance is given in the form of block loans/grants and are not linked to any individual sector or projects. Some of the steps taken by the Central Government to improve the utilisation of created irrigation potential in different States including Karnataka are as under:-

(i) A Centrally Sponsored, Command Area Development Programme was initiated in 1971-75;

(ii) State Governments have been advised to construct water courses from the existing 40 hectare block outlets to 5-8 hectare block outlets and to introduce warabandi extensively for ensuring equity in distribution and reducing wastage of water; and

(iii) Introducing Farmers' training and

organising demonstrations in identifying crop varieties responsive to irrigation, the sowing time, crops sequence, frequency of irrigation doses, preparing fields and on-farm water management.

### Shortage of Milk in Delhi

1592. SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total demand for milk in Delhi and the supplies made available to the citizens of Delhi during 1989, monthwise, and

(b) the steps taken or proposed to augment the milk supply to meet the shortage faced by the public?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) and (b). No present estimates on demand for milk in Delhi are available. However, tentative projections indicate that the estimated household demand for milk currently in Delhi would be around 20.00 lakh litres per day. On an average Delhi Milk Scheme and Mother Dairy, Delhi together marketed the following quantities of milk during the year 1989 -

(Lakh litres per day)

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| January  | 8.42 |
| February | 8.52 |
| March    | 8.65 |
| April    | 9.02 |
| May      | 9.15 |
| June     | 9.22 |
| July     | 9.79 |

August 10.08

September 10.17

October 9.94

November 9.50

December 9.33

There are currently no shortages of milk faced by public in Delhi.

[Translation]

### National Highways in Rajasthan

1593. SHRI GOPAL PACHERWAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National Highways in Rajasthan;

(b) whether there is any proposal to develop a National Highway connecting Kota, Keshavraj Patan Lakheri, Sawai Madhopur, Bharatpur of Rajasthan with Agra and Delhi; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRI SHNAN): (a) There are seven National Highways passing through Rajasthan State.

(b) No Sir. However, Bharatpur is already connected to Agra by NH No. 11 and Agra with Delhi by NH No. 2.

(c) Does not arise.