

Production Programme has been launched from 1988-89. Wheat and Maize are among the focus crops. Bajra is proposed to be included in the Programme from 1990-91.

(c) Does not arise.

Production of Oilseeds in Rajasthan

1757. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a rapid increase in the production of oilseeds in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the production of oilseeds can be increased further by using water sprinklers;

(d) if so, whether any provision has been made therefor under National Oilseeds Development Programme; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRIDEVI LAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The production of oilseeds in Rajasthan for the last three years was as under:—

Year	Production (in lakhs tonnes)
1986-87	8.8
1987-88	12.6
1988-89	19.1

(c) Yes, Sir. The production of oilseeds

is increased *inter-alia* by using water sprinklers.

(d) and (e). Keeping in view the best use of water for increasing the production of crops, provision has been made for sprinklers irrigation under National Oilseeds Development Project for oilseed crops like Rabi/Summer groundnut which gives higher yield under irrigated conditions.

S.T.D. Facility in Godda District and Banka City of Bhagalpur in Bihar

1758. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the places where S.T.D. facility is provide to be proposed in Bihar during 1990-91;

(b) whether there is a proposal to provide S.T.D. facility in District Godda and in Banka City of Bhagalpur during the year 1990;

(c) if so, by what time the facility will be provided there; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) Araria, Chakradharpur, Ghatsila, Kahalgaon, Gumla, Godda, Jahanabad, Lohardaga, Lakhi Sarai, Madhepura, Mesra, Nirsa, Parsudi, Pakur, Sahebganj, Tatisilwai.

(b) There is a proposal to be provide S.T.D. facility at Godda during 1990-91.

(c) Banka is proposed to be provided with S.T.D. facility during the 8th plan period.

(d) Does not arise.