

development works in Outram Lines are scheduled to be completed by August, 1985. The completion of development works of Hudson Lines is likely to take about 6 months after clearance of the site.

Installation of TV Relay Centres

5298. DR. VALLAL PERUMAN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of relay centres of Madras Doordarshan;

(b) whether Government have got any plans to instal more TV relay centres in every district of the State; and

(c) if so, by when it will be done ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL) : (a) At present, there is no TV relay centre attached to Doordarshan Kendra, Madras.

(b) and (c). Augmentation of power of the T.V. transmitter, Kodaikanal to 10 KW is on hand. A microwave circuit to link this transmitter to Doordarshan Kendra, Madras has also been ordered. Establishment of a low power transmitter at Neyveli is a scheme approved for implementation by June, 1985. Establishment of additional TV relay centres in various uncovered parts of the country, including those in Tamil Nadu, will depend on the availability of resources for this purpose during the future Plan period.

Scheme to Develop Improved Breed of Piggery

5299. SHRI D.N. REDDY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a

scheme to develop improved breed of piggery in the country; and

(b) if so, the States selected to implement this scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research has All India Coordinated Research Project on pigs to develop improved breed of pigs. The States and Union Territories have also got Schemes to improve the economic traits of pigs.

(b) The All India Coordinated Research Project on pigs is under operation in the States of Uttar Pradesh, Assam, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh. In order to improve the economic traits of the indigenous pigs, the crossing with exotic pigs has been undertaken. In different plan periods, 82 Pig Breeding Farms have been set up in States/Union Territories of Andhra Pradesh, Haryana, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Dadar and Nagar Haveli, Goa, Daman and Diu, Mizoram, Assam, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Punjab, Arunachal Pradesh and Tripura.

Grass Growing Machine for Milk Production

5300. SHRI HUSSAIN DALWAI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that Development Corporation of Konkan has experimented the use of grass-growing machine at the site of its Bull-mother Project at Aarey Dairy in Bombay;

(b) whether fodder produced by this machine has given tremendous boost to milk production in the project; and

(c) whether Government propose to recommend such grass-machine for dairies with a view to augment the milk supply ?