Import of Predegree Rams by Haryana/ Andhra Pradesh

1182. SHRI V. TULSIRAM : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of Haryana have approached Central Government to provide foreign exchange for importing predegree rams of South Down and Dorest Horms/Suffock strains;

(b) if so, decision arrived at on the request of Government of Haryane;

(c) whether a similar request has been received from Government of Andhra Pradesh to improve the sheepbreeding by importing rams from foreign countries; and

(d) if so, details thereof and action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICUL-TURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) to (d). No request for release of for ign exchange for the import of pedigree rams of South Down and Dorset Horns! Suffolk strains has been received from the Governments of Haryana and Andhra Pradesh.

Assistance to Agricultural Universities

1183. SHRI V. SOBHANAD: EES-WARA RAO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of grant/assistance proposed to be made available to Agricultural Universities in the country during Seventh Plan period, Universitywise;

(b) whether Union Government have received any proposal for establishment of pulses research centre at Challapalli in Krishna district from Andhra Pradesh Government to conduct research and development work in rice fallow pulses programme; and (c) if so, reaction of Union Government to the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICUL. TURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research have made tentative allocations to give assistance to the State Agricultural Universities during the VII Five Year Plan schemes under two viz the "National Agricultural Research Proiect" and the "Establishment and Development of Agricultural Universitics". The outlays under these schemes are Rs. 65.00 crores and Rs 36.62 crores respectively. The allocation to individual agricultural university under "Establishment the scheme of and Development of Agricultural Universities" will be finalised after the Expenditure Finance Committee Memo is cleared. Under the scheme of "National Agricultural Research Project" subprojects based on the specific needs of various agro-climatic zones are received from the agricultural universities and sanction is accorded after critical appraisal. There is no fixed allocation to individual agricultural universities under this scheme.

(b) No proposal for establishment of a Pulse Research Centre at Challapalli in Krishna District of Andhra Pradesh has been received.

(c) The question does not arise.

Construction of Permanent Houses for Landless People

1184. SHRI V. SOBHANADREES-WARA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount proposed for social housing i.e., construction of permanent houses to the landless people during the Seventh Plan period under Central and State Sectors, State-wise;

(b) out of the amount earmarked for Central Sector how much is grant portion and how much is loan portion, State-wise; and