

The export of iron ore and processed mica during the last three years have been as under :

Year	Iron Ore (in m. tonnes)	Mica Processed (in '000 tonnes)
1983-84	21,948	10.80
1984-85	25,395	17.98
1985-86	27,955	18.76

Amount Sanctioned to Bihar under Rural Development Programmes

2486. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the amount sanctioned to Bihar State for 1986-87 for implementation of rural development programmes;

(b) the percentage of Central assistance to the total amount sanctioned to Bihar State;

(c) whether there is a great difference in the ratio of the assistance provided for various rural development programmes and the population; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard and the efforts being made to remove this difference ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV) : (a) and (b). A statement is given below.

(c) During the current financial year 50% of the funds under IRDP have been allocated on the basis of selectivity based on incidence of poverty and 50% on a uniform basis per block. Under NREP and RLEGP funds are provided on the basis of the criteria under which 50% weightage is given to the number of agricultural labourers, marginal workers and marginal farmers and 50% to the incidence of rural poverty in each State/UT. Under DPAP, allocations are made on uniform basis at the rate of Rs. 15 lakhs per block.

(d) Question does not arise.

Statement

Statement showing total allocation of funds including State share to Bihar during 1986-87 and percentage of Central assistance to the total allocation

(Rs. in crores)

Programme	Total allocation of funds to Bihar during 1986-87	Percentage of Central assistance to total allocation
IRDP	70.98	50%
NREP	64.68	50%
RLEGP	69.73*	100%
DPAP	8.10	50%

* In addition 17580 MTs of rice and 52750 MTs of wheat have been released to the Government of Bihar for the 1st and 2nd quarters of 1986-87. The cost of foodgrains and subsidy on the foodgrains is borne by the Central Government.

Setting up of Steel Stockyard in Bihar

2487. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is and proposal to set up a steel stockyard somewhere in Bihar during 1986-87;

(b) if so, the place alongwith the name of district where it is proposed to be set up; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Doer not arise.

(c) The level of demand at places other than those covered by SAIL's existing stockyards at Patna and Bokaro in the State of Bihar is not adequate for setting up a viable new stockyard.