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- (a) whether Government have a proposal to provide additional facilities to the fishermen to augment fish production during the Seventh Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the number of traditional crafts proposed to be motorised during the Seventh Plan period; and
- (c) what other facilities and incentives are proposed to be extended to the small fishermen to augment fish production during the above plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGEN-DRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) During VII Plan period, a proposal to motorise 8000 traditional crafts is under consideration.
- (c) Apart from subsiding motorisation of traditional craft, the Government of India provide 50% grant for introduction of Beach landing craft. Fishermen are also assisted by the States/Union Territories through schemes of subsidy and loan for acquisition of fishing boats, fishing gear, gear material and accessories.

Development of Co-operative Societies by NABARD

- 435. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PAT-NAIK: Will the Minister of AGRICUL-TURE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has started a three year project with a view to develop the cooperative societies;
- (b) if so, how many districts have been selected for implementing the development programme all over the country;
- (c) the number of primary agricultural cooperative societies which have been identified to be brought under the above development programme; and
- (d) the details of the schemes undertalen by NABARD in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICUL-TURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) to (c) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has launched a 3 year Project for strengthening and development of 600 selected Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACSs) and all working Large Sized Agricultural Multipurpose Societies (LAMPS) in twenty selected Pilot Project Districts, in the country. In each selected district the programme is to cover 30 PACSs. The programme has been launched in the selected districts in two phases. In the first phase from July, 1986, the programme has been taken up to cover 15 districts in 12 States.

(d) Orissa is one of the 12 States selected for the implementation of the Scheme, and the district selected is Kalahandi. The project has been started only from the 1st July, 1986. The identification of 30 PACSs in the district has been taken up. The Scheme provides for giving financial assistance by NABARD for employment of an Additional Secretary and for infrastructural facilities; providing loans to the State Governments for additional share capital in the selected societies and LAMPS.

Allocation of funds for steel plants during Seventh Plan

- 436. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PAT-NAIK: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have earmarked funds for the modernisation of various integrated steel plants during the Seventh Five Year Plan period;
- (b) if so, the allocation made to each steel plant for the purpose; and
- (c) the details of schemes included under the modernisation programme and the funds earmarked for each scheme, plant-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) and