(b) Yes, Sir, through the local police authorities.

(c) The investigations revealed that the letter was a hoax. The Director of Doordarshan Kendra, Rajkot, has been asked to keep a close liaison with the local police authorities on a regular basis and seek special security arrangements whenever the local situation so warrants.

Decline in fish catch

979. PROF. K. V. THOMAS: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of fish caught from the Exclusive Economic Zone of our country;

(b) whether this catch is below our expectation and estimated demand; and

(c) if not, what steps are being taken to completely utilise the marine resources in the Exclusive Economic Zone?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINIS-TRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Our see fish landing during 1985 has been 1.72 million tonnes.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Some of the important steps taken to increase fish production from marine sector are as follows :

- 1. Motorisation of traditional craft.
- 2. Introduction of improved Beach/ Landing Craft.
- 3. Introduction of improved designs of small and medium craft made of alternative material such as ferrocement, fibro glass reinforced plastics etc.

4. Encouragement of offshore and deep sea fishing by providing subsidy and soft loan for purchase of large fishing vessels and

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5. Establishment of fishing harbours and landing centres.

Soviet offer of expertise for modernisation of technology in Bakaro and Bhilai Steel Plant

980. SHRI SOMNATH RATH: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Soviet Union have offered expertise in the modernisation and upgradation of technology in Bokaro and Bhilai Steel Plants in India;

(b) if so, the details of the offer; and

(c) whether Governmenl have accepted this offer and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) to (c) Both sides are already cooperating and schemes have been jointly identified for achieving the rated capacities at the Bhilai and Bokaro steel plants, to remove any bottlenecks and to improve the technical and economic indicies and the quality of products at these plants.

Livestock production pragrammes

981. SHRI SOMNATH RATH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount granted to Orissa for the Centrally Sponsored Schemes for Livestock Production Programme in the Sixth Five Year Plan, the amount spent and amo nt allotted in the Seventh Five Year Plan; and

(b) the districts in Orissa where Cross breed female calf rearing programme will continue during 1986-87 under this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINIS-TRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) An Amount of Rs. 152.095 lakhs was released as Central share to Orissa under the Centrally-sponsored scheme 'Special Livestock Production Programme' during the Sixth Five-Year Plan.

A sum of Rs. 268.00 lakhs is reported to have been spent (Centre+State) during the Sixth Five-Year Plan (till February, 1985).

Statewise allocations under the scheme are made on year to year basis. The Central share released to Orissa in 1985-86 was Rs. 12.665 lakhs. An allocation of Rs. 20.292 lakhs has been made for the current year i.e. 1986-87.

(b) The cross-bred caif rearing scheme in Orissa will continue during 1986-87 in the districts of Cuttack, Puri, Dhenkanal and Sambalpur.

Centrally sponsored programme in Orissa for poultry, sheep and piggery

982. SHRI SOMNATH RATH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the districts in Orissa where the three centrally sponsored projects on poultry, sheep and piggery development were undertaken;

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(b) the amount sanctioned during the Sixth Five Year Plan and the amount spent during the period; and

(c) the amount earmarked for the Seventh Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICUL-TURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The districts in Orissa where the three Centrally-sponsored projects on poultry, sheep and piggery production under Special Livestock Production Programme are being undertaken are as follows :--

Poultry :	(1) Cuttack
	(2) Puri
	(3) Sambhalpur
Sheep :	(1) Bolangir
Piggery :	(1) Koraput
	(2) Keonjhar

(b) A sum of Rs. 152.095 lakhs was released as Central share during the Sixth Five Year Plan for Special Livestock Production Programme as a whole including Poultry, Piggery and Sheep components to Orissa.

A sum of Rs. 268.0 lakhs (Central & State) has been spent on the scheme (SLPP) during the Sixth Five Year Plan (till February '85).

(c) Statewise allocations are made on year to year basis. A sum of Fs 12.665 lakhs was released as Central share during 1985-86. The allocation made ror the year 1986-87 is Rs. 20.992 lakhs.

Controversy over environment of ' Gandhamardan Bauxite Project in Orissa

983. SHRI SOMNATH RATH : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether controversy over the Gandhamardan Bauxite Project in Orissa regarding environment has been solved :

(b) the amount spent so far on this project; and

(c) when the work on the project