

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) Government of Tripura have submitted a feasibility reported prepared, at their instance, by the Engineers India Limited, about the possibility of establishing a fertilizer plant based on the gas reserves reported to be available in Tripura.

(b) Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas have advised that, at present, on the basis of available information, it would not be possible to commit the required quantity of gas for the proposed fertilizer plant in Tripura. In view of this advice, it is not feasible to consider establishment of a gas-based fertilizer plant in Tripura at this stage.

Prospects of Kharif production

1029. SHRI KRISHNA SINGH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the prospects of Kharif crops this year, item-wise, State-wise in view of the weather conditions obtaining during the relevant period;

(b) how does it compare with the last year's Kharif yield; and

(c) the total estimated grains yield this year taking all crops together ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) to (c) Final estimates of kharif crops for 1986 have not yet become due from the States. It is, therefore, not possible to compare them with the last year's kharif yields.

Technological mission at Kurnool in Andhra Pradesh

1030. SHRI S. PALAKONDRA-YUDU : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Kurnool in Andhra Pradesh has been identified for setting up of a Pilot Project under "Technology Mission"; and

(b) if so, the details of the Pilot Project, Technology Mission and the amount sanctioned so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The feasibility report of the Pilot Project in Kurnool District is being prepared and is expected to be ready by December, 1986. No amount has so far been sanctioned for this project.

Central assistance to flood affected States

1031. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH :
SHRI KAMLA PRASAD RAWAT :
SHRI RAM BHAGAT PASWAN :
SHRI KRISHNA SINGH :
SHRI SOMNATH RATH :
SHRI ANAND SINGH :
SHRI RAM DHAN :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Bihar, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Assam and Kerala, were hit by severe floods in August this year;

(b) if so, the quantum of Central assistance given to these State Governments for relief of the flood victims;

(c) the estimated extent of damage caused to life and property in each State; and

(d) what permanent measures are being contemplated to contain the flood fury ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) The States of Bihar, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, and Kerala have reported damages due to floods during monsoon period of 1986.

(b) Ceilings of expenditure of Rs. 132.37 crores for Andhra Pradesh and Rs.

26.27 crores for Kerala have so far been approved for flood relief.

(c) State-wise details of extent of damage caused to life and property as reported by these States are given in the statement below.

(d) Flood control is a State subject. Planning and execution of various flood protection works is done by State Governments.

Statement

Statement indicating damage due to heavy rains/floods during 1986 Monsoon (Tentative)

S. No.	State	Districts affected	Villages affected	Area affected (in lakh hect.)	Population affected (in lakh)	Damage to Crops Area in lakh hect.	Value in Rs. lakhs	Damage to houses (in Nos)	Cattle lost (in Nos)	Human lives lost	Damage to public utilities (in lakhs)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1.	Andhra Pradesh	13	5058	9.06	76.30	8.53	40715	442000	17388	326	168674
2.	Assam	9	2752	4.26	23.45	3.22	98	322320	2420	15	NR
3.	Bihar	23	5986	16.72	70.60	6.65	8942	63290	491	85	996
4.	Kerala	14	NR	10.21	82.00	0.52	2998	192638	1915	65	9229
5.	West Bengal	10	16717	18.03	134.02	4.22	13964	688064	2582	57	NR

NR = Not reported.