

(e) the steps taken by Government to check them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) to (d). The figures of accidents in the mines during 1985 and 1986 are indicated below :

Year	Accidents	
	Fatal	Non-fatal
1985	243	1425
*1986	253	1509

*(Provisional)

An analysis of the causes of accidents reveal that the number of accidents caused by fall of roof, other transport machinery, fall of persons and fall of objects has increased whereas the number of accidents caused by fall of side and explosives has decreased.

(e) The Mines Act 1952 and rules and regulations framed thereunder contain adequate provisions for the safety of workers employed in the mines. These provisions are required to be complied with by mines management. The Director General of Mines Safety, Dhanbad and his officers enforce the statutory provisions in respect of mines safety. The Director General of Mines Safety also issues guidelines in the form of circulars to mines management from time to time for adopting safety measures. Mines are periodically inspected by the officers of the Directorate General of Mines Safety.

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1837. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY :
SHRI N. SOUNDARARAJAN :
SHRI ANANTA PRASAD
SETHI :
SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMA-
CHANDRAN :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the two projects to be executed with the financial assistance of

Dollars 1,55,000 for which an agreement has been signed with Food and Agriculture Organisation;

(b) whether the agreed technical consultation sessions on quality assurance and inspection of marine production in February 1987 have been conducted by Food and Agriculture Organisation; and

(c) if so, the results thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) The two projects under the Technical Corporation Cooperation Programme signed with Food and Agriculture Organisation on 20.1.1987 are :

(i) Assistance to Aerial Seeding Programme of Chambal ravines in Madhya Pradesh with FAO assistance of US \$ 95,000. This project will assist in the implementation of the 1987-88 Aerial Seeding Programme and raising of the technical capabilities of Government personnel for scaling up of operations for 1988-89—1993-94.

(ii) Production of Soya Food with FAO assistance of US \$ 60,000. Under this project relevant and current information on the technology of soya food processing and provision of training in soya food development will be provided to Indian technologists and a marketing specialist.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The consultations emphasised the importance of improvement of quality of sea food exports so that detention/rejection of sea food exports may be minimised and better prices obtained by upgrading product quality.

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1838. SHRI N. DENNIS : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND]