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10 Kw Doordarshan Relay Centres under Construction in Bihar

6499. SHRI KUNWAR RAM : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the places where 10 KW Doordarshan relay centres are under construction in Bihar ;

(b) the stage at which the construction work of 100 watt relay centres stands at present ;

(c) the time by which these centres will be completed ; and

(d) the percentage of population in Bihar likely to benefit on their completion ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI A. K. PANJA) :

(a) Establishment of a high power (10 KW) TV transmitters each at Katihar and Daltonganj in Bihar is included in the Seventh Plan of Doordarshan.

(b) Orders for transmitters and associated auxiliary equipment have been placed.

(c) Completion and commissioning of the transmitters is dependent upon the supply position of equipment and annual allocation of Plan resources.

(d) On completion of schemes included in the Seventh Plan of Doordarshan, TV service is expected to be available to about 91.3% population of Bihar.

[*English*]

Schemes Under IRDP

6500. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the activities, other than agricultural development which are promoted under the Integrated Rural Development Programmes ;

(b) the details of achievements made in these projects in the State of Kerala during 1986 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b) All economically viable schemes in primary, secondary and tertiary sectors are eligible for assistance Integrated Rural Development Programme.

In 1986-87, 1,28,500 families were to be assisted under the Integrated Rural Development Programme in Kerala. Upto the end of February, 1987, 1,23,933 families had been assisted.

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Winding up of Business by Agencies Engaged in Sending Skilled/Unskilled Workers Abroad

6501. DR. CHANDRA SHEKHAR TRIPATHI : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether agencies engaged in sending skilled and unskilled workers for jobs to foreign countries have been forced to wind up their business as their business has decreased considerably ; and

(b) if so, the main reasons together with details therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) and (b) We have 1119 recruiting agencies registered and about 250 are active while remaining are inactive. However, there has been some decline in overseas employment due to economic recession and completion of the Construction projects in the Middle East.

Housing Colonies for Government Employees in Karnataka

6503. DR. V. VENKATESH : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :