Export of Cattle Feed

6567. SHRI C. MADHAV REDDI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the entire quantity of soyabeen oilca is exported as cattle feed;
- (b) if so, the details of production and export thereof during the last three years;
- (c) the reasons for export as an animal feed when it can be retained as human food;
- (d) whether there is a shortage of cattle feed in the country; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken to enhance the output of cattle feed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF **AGRICULTURE** AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The Export Policy for oilmeals/extractions is that the export of Expeller cakes, all varieties, (except Cotton Seed Expeller cakes) is not normally allowed. The export of soyabeen extractions/meal, however, is allowed freely against registration of contracts with the Sbyabeen Processors Association of India.

(b) The details of production and export of soyabeen extraction/meal during the past three years have been approximately of the fallowing order.

> (Quantity: In M. Ts.) (Value: Rs. in crores)

Year	Production (Quantity)	Export Quantity	Value
1984-85	3,51,711	2,60,273	60.88
1985-86	5,57,549	4,81,366	98.82
1986-87	4,26,600	4,09,815	21.61

Source: Soyabeen Processors Association of India.

- (c) and (d) The precise requirements of various cattle feed items in the country are not known. However, as indicated above. general the export of Expeller cakes (except Cotton Seed Expeller cakes) is not allowed. In the case of soyabean, only soyabean extraction/meal is allowed for exports freely. It may be mentioned that the export policy for other items namely De-oiled Rice Bran (Rice Bran Extraction), De-oiled Groundnut cake (Extraction), Solvent Extracted cotton seed cakes (Decorticated and undecorticated) is restrictive, they are allowed for exports only within limited ceilings. In allowing even the extractions/meals for exports, the Government have to balance a number of considerations including the internal requirements of Oilmeals/Extractions, edible oil, the viability of oilseed production and processing, the imperative need of maximising foreign exchange earnings etc.
- (e) The Government have taken a number of measures to augment the production of oilseeds which should result in making available a larger quantity of oilmeal/extraction for use as cattle feed.

Time Allorted for Urdu Programmes by Guiberga AIR and TV Centre

6568. SHRI NARSING SURYAVANSI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware that very little time has been allotted for Urdu programmes at Gulberga Radio and T. V. Centres: and
- (b) if so, the steps proposed to increase the time of Urdu programmes from these centres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI A.K. PANJA): (a) and (b) All India Radio Gulberga is broadcasting programmes in Urdu for a duration of 30 minutes every week. The percentage of urdu speaking population in the programme zone of Gulberga is about 15%. The Urdu speaking population also understand Kannada which is the State