

room (Canned), 10 percent of basic Replenishment License and additional import replenishment at 15 percent of FOB value is allowed for tin plate and OTS cans.

### **Yield of Traditional Crops in Some States**

4319. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have found out that in some States, traditional cropping pattern is yielding progressively less produce at constant input;

(b) if so, the areas in different States where this phenomena has been visible distinctly;

(c) whether diversion of some land for fruit and potato cultivation would augment the income of the farmers without impairing the food position of the country;

(d) whether Government propose to undertake some pilot project in each State for tis diversification; and

(e) if so, the reaction in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b). Although there is no perceptible evidence that traditional cropping pattern is yielding progressively less produce at constant inputs, it is probable that in some States this process might be operating as a natural economic phenomenon.

(c) to (e). Cultivation of most of the fruits and vegetables, including potato, is considered to be more income generating than that of cereals. As such, there has been considerable increase in the area under cultivation

of fruits and vegetables in some States in the nature of crop diversification.

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### **Evaluation of IRDP in Bihar**

4320. PROF. CHANDRA BHANU DEVI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government have done any evaluation of the various programmes being carried out in Bihar under the Integrated Rural Development Programme; and

(b) if so, the findings of such an evaluation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) and (b). Evaluation of Integrated Rural Development Programme in Bihar has been done under the Concurrent Evaluation of IRDP initiated in October, 1985 by the Department of Rural Development. The main findings which emerged from the above report for the period October, 85-September, 86 are given in the statement below.

### **STATEMENT**

#### *Main findings on the Evaluation of IRDP in Bihar*

(Based on Concurrent Evaluation of IRDP-The main findings of the study for October 85-September 86).

According to annual income of beneficiaries, as per records, the poorest of the poor had predominant coverage under IRDP. About 70% of the assisted families belonged to the distribute