

(a) to (c) The National Programme of Doordarshan includes items contributed by various Doordarshan Kendras. Doordarshan have also started telecast of one regional programme, with English sub-titles, once a month in the National Programme on rotation basis. One such programme, in Telugu language, is scheduled to be telecast in the National Programme on 3.4.1987. Besides, feature films and song and sequences in various regional languages, including Telugu, are also telecast on the National hook-up. Since the telecast of regional language programmes depends on their availability, it is not possible to indicate the telecast schedule of these programmes.

Allocation for National Oilseeds Development Project

4805. SHRI BANWARI LAL BAIRWA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the financial allocation made for implementation of the National Oilseeds Development Project during the Seventh Five Year Plan and the allocation made for the year 1986-87;

(b) the procedure adopted for supply of quality seeds and other key inputs to the farmers under the project; and

(c) whether Government are satisfied with the functioning of Technology sub-commission constituted under the project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) The Centrally Sponsored National Oilseeds Development Project has financial allocation of Rs. 170 crores during the Seventh Five Year Plan. Out of Rs. 170 crores, Rs. 100 crores is Government of India's share and Rs. 70 crores is State Governments share. The financial allocation for 1986-87 is Rs. 30.00 crores out of which Government of India's share is Rs. 17.50 crores and Rs. 12.50 crores is State Government's share.

(b) The implementing agency of the Project are State Governments. The concern-

ed States make all the arrangement for the supply of various inputs to the farmers through their state agencies.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Bauxite Mining in Andhra Pradesh

4806. SHRI THAMPAN THOMAS : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to mine Bauxite in Andhra Pradesh with the assistance of foreign countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any similar proposal is pending with the Centre from any other State ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) : (a) and (b) A feasibility report for an export oriented bauxite mine of 2.3 million tonnes per annum capacity in Andhra Pradesh has been prepared with Soviet assistance.

(c) No, Sir.

Packing of Foodstuff

4807. SHRI C. MADHAV REDDI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether NAFED is seeking tie-up with a foreign company for packing of foodstuffs and if so, the details of the project;

(b) whether the project has been given clearance and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether NAFED is also engaged in increasing production of farm produce, it is exporting and planning to export and if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) NAFED has not formulated any project proposal for foreign collaboration in packaging of foodstuffs.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) NAFED is not directly engaged in agricultural production. However, the marketing and export services provided by NAFED have an impact on the production of agricultural commodities handled by it.

Loans Disbursed to Societies

4808. SHRI R.P. SUMAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of co-operative societies where all the members are Scheduled Castes;

(b) whether any such society has requested for loan from the National Cooperative Development Corporation;

(c) if so, the amount asked for and the amount sanctioned; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) The information will be collected and laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(b) A multi-State cooperative society viz. the All India Scheduled Castes Development Cooperative Society Ltd. with all the members belonging to Scheduled Castes has requested for a loan of Rs. 821.50 lakhs from the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC).

(c) and (d) While considering the Society's proposal, the Board of Management of NCDC resolved that since the proposal was the first of its type received by NCDC and several policy issues were involved, the guidelines of the Central Government may, in the first instance, be sought.

Cooperative Societies for Fruits and Vegetables

4809. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMA-CHANDRAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of co-operative societies in the country which handle marketing of fruits and vegetables;

(b) whether Government intend to offer any incentives in order to encourage more co-operative societies to deal in fruits and vegetables; and

(c) if so, the detail thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) There were 473 fruits and vegetables cooperatives of the following types in 1980-81 for which the latest data are available :-

Primary Societies:	455
Central Unions :	16
State Federations:	2

(b) and (c) Financial assistance is provided under the schemes of the Government and the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) for the development of marketing, processing and storage of fruits and vegetables as also for purchase of transport vehicles. Upto March 15, 1987, total amount of Rs. 387.62 lakhs has been sanctioned to 57 fruits and vegetables cooperative marketing societies by NCDC which is also the implementing agency of the Government in respect of Centrally Sponsored Schemes for cooperative development.

Spanish Offer of Joint-Ventures in Deep-Sea Fishing

4810. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMA-CHANDRAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Union Government have received any proposal from Spain for joint ventures between Spanish and Indian companies for harvesting marine resources in Indian waters;

(b) if so, the decision taken thereon;

(c) whether Government propose to import modern fishing vessels from Spain; and