

Border Area Development (Education) Programme : Establishment of new educational institutions, where lack of the same is experienced ; strengthening of existing infrastructure of educational & training institutions ; strengthening of opportunities for vocational training and skill development ; organisation of training programmes for women & youth ; establishment of hostels exclusively for students of border areas ; provision of scholarships on merit to students from border areas on a limited/pilot basis for technical & professional education ; adult, non-formal and continuing education programmes ; organisation of programmes for orientation and training of teachers ; and establishment of teacher education institutions

(b) and (c) Primary education is given priority amongst the educational activities under the Programme. Financial assistance under BADEP is in the nature of supplement to the educational development programmes of the States. The number of primary schools to be opened will depend upon the proposals of the Border States which are made with reference to felt needs

Afforestation Programme in Rajasthan

4866. SHRI VIRDHI CHANDER JAIN : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem appearing in the 'Rajasthan Patrika', Jaipur dated 18 July, 1988 under the caption 'Arab Sagar Se uthe badal pachhim Rajasthan mein jam kar nahin barse' ;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to plant trees in the hilly areas of Rajasthan during the current year ; and

(c) the future plans of Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) :
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) For 1988-89 the target of tree planting in Rajasthan, including its hill areas, is 13 crore seedlings.

(c) All efforts are being made to increase the coverage of the afforestation programme. The Planning Commission has recently set up a Working Group to study the problems of Aravalli hills in Rajasthan and to draw up special recommendations for short as well as medium term action plan to be taken up during the Eighth Five Year Plan.

Afforestation Programme

4867. SHRI VIRDHI CHANDER JAIN : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) the state-wise amount allotted for 1988-89 under afforestation programme ; and

(b) the estimated amount proposed to be allocated under afforestation programme for Rajasthan for the year 1989-90 ?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) :
(a) State-wise allocation of funds for afforestation activities under Central and State schemes during 1988-89 is given in the statement below.

(b) It is not possible at this stage to indicate the allocation likely to be given for 1989-90.

Statement*Statewise Allocation of Funds for Afforestation Activities in 1988-89.*

Rs. in Lakhs		
States/U.Ts.	TOTAL Allocations (expected)	Remarks
Andhra Pradesh	3,538.00	In addition, a sum of Rs. 28 crores will also be spent on afforestation under other schemes of NWDB and Ministry of Agriculture, taking the total to Rs. 620 crores.
Assam	2,188.00	
Bihar	5,298.00	
Gujarat	3,168.00	
Haryana	1,921.50	
Himachal Pradesh	2,257.50	
Jammu & Kashmir	1,124.63	
Karnataka	2,710.50	
Kerala	2,374.00	
Madhya Pradesh	4,672.00	
Maharashtra	4,194.25	
Manipur	703.50	
Meghalaya	756.00	
Nagaland	518.00	
Orissa	2,667.25	
Punjab	1,035.25	
Rajasthan	3,202.00	
Sikkim	235.00	
Tamil Nadu	3,479.50	
Tripura	462.75	
Uttar Pradesh	7,589.75	
West Bengal	3,292.88	
A & N Islands	259.50	
Arunachal Pradesh	451.75	
Chandigarh	23.50	
D.N. Haveli	111.25	
Delhi	85.50	
Goa, Daman, Diu	163.00*	
Mizoram	658.00	
Pondicherry	48.00	
Lakshadweep	7.25	
Total	59,196.01 or say 59200	

*Includes Rs. 45.00 lakhs for Daman & Diu.