

(SHRI L.P. SHAHI) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Such assistance will be given to dramatic groups, theatre groups, music ensembles, solo artists and all genres of performing art activities.

(c) Assistance by way of grant/subsidy is given annually to groups/individuals who are selected by an Expert Committee constituted under this scheme for approved projects or programmes. Special consideration is given to the groups practising in the rare art forms and other traditional forms.

Grow More Rice Programme

1285. SHRI G. DEVARAYA NAIK : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of districts identified in Karnataka State for "Grow More Rice" programme;

(b) the total amount allotted to Karnataka and released so far in this regard; and

(c) the State Government's contribution in this programme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV) : (a) A total number of eight districts namely, Belgaum, Hassan, Coorg, Chikmagalur, North Canara, Dharwar, Shimoga and South Canara have been identified in Karnataka State for implementation of Special Foodgrains Production Programme-Rice, during 1988-89.

(b) An amount of Rs. 306.80 lakhs has been allocated and released to the State Government.

(c) The entire Scheme is implemented by the State Government with the 100 per cent grant from Govt. of India.

Ganga Action Plan

1286. SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Farrukhabad and Fatehgarh have been included under Ganga Action Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

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

(b) Four schemes at a total cost of Rs. 143.22 lakhs have been sanctioned for Farrukhabad-Fatehgarh. Of these, two schemes at a cost of Rs. 29.46 lakhs are for Low Cost Sanitation. One scheme at an estimated cost of Rs. 11.69 lakhs is for the improvement Ghatia Ghat which includes provision of steps and river front facilities. The Fourth scheme at an estimated cost of Rs. 102.27 lakhs is for the interception, diversion and treatment of waste water flowing into Ganga from parts of the town.

(c) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Loss to SAIL

1287. PROF. CHANDRA BHANU DEVI : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Steel Authority of India has suffered loss during the year 1987-88; and if so, the amount of loss so suffered; and

(b) the causes thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

Technological Upgradation of RSP

1288. SHRI Y.S. MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state ;