

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Social Forestry for Rural Development

6235. SHRI SHANTILAL PATEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether community social forestry taken up as a part of a wider strategy for rural development has not shown encouraging results;

(b) if so, the main reasons therefor;

(c) whether any survey has been conducted by any Study Group; and

(d) the measures taken/to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) to (d). The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Allocation under desert development programme

6236. SHRI VIRDHI CHANDER JAIN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the annual plan for Desert Development Programme for 1989-90 has been finalised;

(b) if so, the amount allocated in the Plan under each head;

(c) whether exploration of tubewells, animal husbandry and power will also be included in the Desert Development Programme from this year viz., 1989-90 and henceforth; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) and (b). For Desert Development Programme for 1989-90, a sum of Rs. 50 crores has been allocated. The following proportionate weightage for sectoral activities has been recommended in State Governments.

<i>S. No.</i>	<i>Sector</i>	<i>Weightages (% of allocation)</i>
1	2	3
1.	Land development & moisture conservation	15
2.	Water Resources conservation & development	20
3.	Afforestation & Pasture development	40
4.	Other activities	15
5.	Project Administration	10
Total		100

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Production of Cotton

6237. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:
SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Cotton Advisory Board made assessments of total cotton production in the country twice in November and December 1988;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether yet another assessment was made recently and its estimate of cotton production differs from the previous assessments;

(d) if so, the total cotton production this year according to the latest assessment;

(e) whether the production of cotton during this year is sufficient to meet its demand; and

(f) if so, the expected demand of cotton in the country this year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b). According to the assessment made by the Cotton Advisory Board in November and December 1988, the total production of cotton in the country for the year 1988-89 was expected to be 108 and 102 lakh bales respectively.

(c) and (d). According to the estimates given by the States in the National Conference on Agriculture for Kharif Campaign, 1989 held on 3-4 April, 1989, the production of cotton in the country is expected to be about 80 lakh bales of 170 kgs. each for the year 1989-90.

(e) and (f). Taking into consideration the carry-over stock, the production of cotton during the current year would be sufficient to meet its demand which was estimated to be about 102 lakh bales by the Cotton Advisory Board.

[English]

Forwarding of Applications of Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers for Posts Outside Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

6238. SHRI M.R. SAIKIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the employees of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan can apply for the posts outside the Sangathan particularly in Navodaya Vidyalayas;

(b) if so, whether there have been instances where such applications of employees have not been forwarded by the Bhopal Regional Office of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAH): (a) There is no bar to Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan employees applying for posts outside.