

price increase of inputs.

[*English*]

**Distribution of Land to Landless
Farmers**

305. SHRI AMARSINH RATHAWA:
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be
pleased to state:

(a) the details of land distributed so far
to the landless farmers in each State and the
number of farmers benefited so far in each
State;

(b) whether there is not much progress
in the distribution of surplus land to the
landless in the past few years;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken to acquire
surplus land for distribution to the landless
farmers in the country during the remaining
period of Seventh Five Year Plan and in the
Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOP-
MENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICUL-
TURE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY):

(a) A statement showing the cumulative

achievement with regard to area distributed
and number of beneficiaries under the distri-
bution of ceiling surplus land programme till
December 1988 is given below.

(b) No Sir. The land distributed during
the past four years is as follows:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Area distributed (Acres)</i>
1985-86	109245
1986-87	90517
1987-88	82198
1988-89 (Till December'88)	64121

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Based on the consensus of Reve-
nue Ministers Conferences, States have
been suggested various measures for get-
ting more surplus land for distribution such
as plugging loopholes and deficiencies in
the ceiling laws, setting up Tribunal under
Article 323-B of the Constitution for expedit-
ing disposal of cases, strengthening legal
and administrative machinery, reconsidera-
tion of ceiling limits, review of exemptions
granted under the laws etc.

STATEMENT

Distribution of Ceiling Surplus Land (Cumulative)-till December-1988

(Area in Acres)

<i>Sl No.</i>	<i>State/UT</i>	<i>Area distributed</i>	<i>No. of benefi- ciaries</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
1.	Andhra Pradesh	384403	328130
2.	Assam	393662	362933

1	2	3	4
3.	Bihar	241087	274157
4.	Gujarat	107535	24486
5.	Haryana	111256	37435
6.	Himachal Pradesh	3340	4400
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	450000	450000
8.	Karnataka	113756	28591
9.	Kerala	61126	125651
10.	Madhya Pradesh	142626	53286
11.	Maharashtra	524645	132325
12.	Manipur	1685	411
13.	Orissa	144488	121563
14.	Punjab	100487	25877
15.	Rajasthan	409480	73632
16.	Tamil Nadu	127170	100758
17.	Tripura	1596	1416
18.	Uttar Pradesh	352172	296628
19.	West Bengal	836022	1726361
<i>Union Territories</i>			
20.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	5424	2546
21.	Delhi	312	654
22.	Pondicherry	956	1165
All India		45,13,228	41,72,406