

tance of about Rs. 12 crores will be provided for the development of irrigation in tribal areas. The drought prone areas programme is also being implemented specially to cater to the needs of the backward areas. Under this programme as well irrigation has been given high priority.

Slums

2630. SHRI P. KANNAN: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new strategy has been evolved for purposeful implementation by all States to arrest the proliferation and density of slums; and

(b) the review of all measures taken so far and the impact achieved for containing the problem?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT) (a) No, Sir.

(b) No such review has been undertaken.

Assistance to States for construction of Working Women Hostels

2631. SHRIMATI BIBHA GHOSH GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have offered assistance to the State Governments to the tune of 75 per cent of the cost of construction of hostels for working women;

(b) if so, number and names of the States which have been offered the assistance; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE

(DR. PRATAP CHANDRA CHUNDER): (a) No, Sir. Financial assistance to the extent of 75 per cent of the cost of construction, under Working Women's Hostels Scheme, is given to voluntary organisations.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

फेडरल रिपब्लिक ऑफ जर्मनी द्वारा भारत को छात्रवृत्तियां

2632. श्री राजेन्द्र कुमार शर्मा : क्या शिक्षा, समाज कल्याण और संस्कृति मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या फेडरल रिपब्लिक ऑफ जर्मनी द्वारा भारत को विभिन्न योजनाओं के अन्तर्गत छात्रवृत्तियां दी जाती हैं।

(ख) क्या सरकार इस प्रकार की छात्रवृत्तियों का उचित उपयोग करती है; और

(ग) क्या इस संबंध में सरकार की प्रतिक्रिया अनुकूल है ?

शिक्षा, समाज कल्याण और संस्कृति मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती रेणुका देवी बड़कटकी) (क) से (ग) जी, हा।

जम्मू में गोदारों में चावल नष्ट होना

2633. श्री राजेन्द्र कुमार शर्मा : क्या कृषि और सिंचाई मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि जम्मू में गोदारों में हजारों टन चावल नष्ट हो गया है;