

(b) whether the Government would be adopting some immediate measures in consultation with the various veteran and experienced sportsmen of our country about how to develop the standard of our 'sports performances'; and

(c) if so, the decision of the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (SHRI DHANNA SINGH GULSHAN):

(a) to (c). Government have asked the All India Council of Sports to advise it of the lines on which a new sports policy and programme may be evolved with a view to broad basing sports and improving sport standard in the country. The advice of the Council is awaited.

विश्वविद्यालय के लेखकारों को पाठ्य पुस्तकें लिखने के लिए सुविधाएं

10592. श्री माधू सिंह :

श्री चरण नरजरी :

श्रीमती पार्वती बेबी :

क्या शिक्षा, सभाज कल्याण और संस्कृति मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) विश्वविद्यालय स्तर की स्टैंडर्ड की मौलिक हिन्दी पुस्तकें लिखने के लिए विश्व-विद्यालय के लेखकारों को क्या क्या सुविधायें दी जाती हैं ;

(ख) क्या ऐसी सुविधाएं दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय में उपलब्ध कराई जाती हैं ;

(ग) क्या मोक्ष कार्य जैसे विभिन्न विषयों जिसके लिए एक या दो वर्ष का अवकाश

प्रदान किया जाता है, पर स्टैण्डर्ड की हिन्दी पुस्तकें लिखने के लिए अवकाश प्रदान किया जाता है ; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो क्या सरकार इस बारे में यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए शीघ्र ही व्यवस्था करेगी कि शिक्षा की नई पद्धति के अनुसार आवश्यक पुस्तकें समय पर तैयार की जायें ?

शिक्षा, सभाज कल्याण और संस्कृति मंत्री (डा० प्रताप चन्द्र चन्द्र) (क) से (घ). अपेक्षित सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और प्राप्त होने पर यथाशीघ्र सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

Irrigation facilities in Tripura

10593. SHRI M. A. HANNAN AL-HAJ: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no irrigation facilities increased in Tripura during the last three years;

(b) if so, the detailed reasons thereof;

(c) the details of the irrigated and unirrigated land in the State at present; and

(d) the details of the action taken to increase irrigated land in the State?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJEET SINGH BARNALA): (a) & (b). The development of irrigation through major and medium projects has been taken in the State of Tripura only during the medium-term plan 1978-83. No irrigation potential has, therefore, been created through such schemes as yet. During the Fifth plan period from 1974-75 to 1977-78 an irrigation potential of 3812 ha. was created through minor irrigation. An

additional potential of 1900 ha. is expected to be created through minor irrigation during 1978-79.

(c) The net sown area as estimated by the Government of Tripura on 31.3.1978 is 2.45 lakhs ha. The total area expected to be irrigated during 1978-79 is 35,000 ha.

(d) The State Government has taken up the preparation of a master-plan for development of irrigation in the State. One major and one medium irrigation schemes are proposed to be taken up by the Government of Tripura during 1979-80. The medium irrigation scheme has already been cleared by the Planning Commission.

Wheat Purchased by F.C.I. in Madhya Pradesh during 1979

10594. SHRI RAGHAVJI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of wheat purchased by Food Corporation of India in Madhya Pradesh during the period from 1st March to 20th April, 1979; and

(b) the quantity of wheat sold below the rate of Rs. 115/- a quintal in the controlled mandies of Madhya Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & IRRIGATION (SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH): (a) 240 tonnes.

(b) No information is available regarding the quantity of wheat sold to private trade below the rate of Rs. 115/- a quintal in the controlled mandies of Madhya Pradesh. In so far as F.C.I. is concerned all stocks have been purchased at the support price of Rs. 115/- per quintal with such quality cuts as are laid down in the prescribed specifications.

Regularisation of E. D. Employees

10595. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of E.D. employees in the Circle;

(b) whether there is any proposal to upgrade them into regular services; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI NARHARI PRASAD SUKHDEV SAI): (a) 2,34,877 as on 31.3.78.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) E.D.As. are only part-time workers and they are engaged on part-time nature of work only. However, sufficient opportunities are provided to them for absorption in the regular cadres of the department.

पंजाब में फसल बीमा योजना

10596. श्री अनन्त राम जयसवाल : क्या कृषि और सिंचाई मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पंजाब ने चालू वित्तीय वर्ष के दौरान राज्य में फसल बीमा योजना लागू की है ; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो क्या केन्द्रीय फसल बीमा निगम की स्थापना के लिए कानून बना कर अन्य राज्यों और संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों में इस योजना का विस्तार करने के प्रयत्न पर सरकार विचार करेगी ?