

(c) The feasibility of starting a Fishermen's Welfare Fund is being examined.

Educated Unemployed Persons Registered with Universities

4044. SHRIMATI PRAMILA DAN-DAVATE: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of educated unemployed persons on the register of the Universities has increased during the past two years;

(b) whether the University Grants Commission has given any specific grants to the universities for assessing the usefulness of the education to students in the matter of gaining employment after their completion of education (University); and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND):

(a) The number of job-seekers with University degree (all of whom are not necessarily unemployed) who were on the live registers of Employment Exchanges in the country increased from 11.80 lakhs on 31.12.1977 to 13.19 lakhs on 31.12.1978, and 14.19 lakhs on 31.12.1979.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Loan to Aman, Aush Paddy Crop etc. in Tripura

4045. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of loss and damage done to Aman, Aush paddy crops jhum cultivation and jute plantation due to a week long carnage in Tripura; and

(b) progress of rehabilitation programme and work for the restoration of agrarian economy of the State?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BIRENDRA SINGH RAO):

(a) and (b). The Ministry of Agriculture has not received any report from the State Government regarding damage caused to paddy and jute crops and jhum cultivation due to carnage in Tripura.

However, the Government of India has constituted a team to make an assessment of the needs of the Government of Tripura towards providing relief to the victims of the recent disturbances.

Combining of Raghunathjang and Jangipur Exchange in Bengal

4046. SHRI ZAINAL ABEDIN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any progress has been achieved with regard to the question of combining the areas of two Telephone Exchanges, namely Raghunathjang and Jangipur in West Bengal into a single local area; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KARTIK ORAON): (a) and (b). Raghunathganj and Jangipur are separated by river Bhagirathi and in the absence of a bridge in between, it is not feasible to combine the local areas of these telephone exchanges.

लगातार जुताई करने से भूमि की उर्वरता पर बचत

4047. श्री बीरबल राम सारथ : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या भूमि की लगातार जुताई करने से भूमि की उर्वरता नष्ट होती है और प्राथमिक जुताई करने से भूमि का पानी और हवा से क्षरण होता है ;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो सीजन में केवल एक बार जुताई करने अच्छी फसलें प्राप्त करने की तकनीक क्या है जिससे भूमि की बार से आठ बार जुताई करने में लगने वाले समय, धन और श्रम की बचत हो सके ?