अयुपुर मा होसीफोन कानेक्सनों की मंजूरी में विसम्ब

5898. श्री दांसत राम सारण: व्या संभार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या जयपूर में कुछ संस्थाओं ने टेलीफॉन कनक्शन जारी करने के लिए शुरू में मांगी गई आवश्यक राशि जमा कर दी है; यदि हां, तो बह राशि कितनी है और कब जमा कराई गई है;
- (स) उन्हें टोलीफोन कनेक्शन दोने में विलम्ब के क्या कारण हैं, क्या उन्हें प्राथ-मिकता के आधार पर टोलीफोन कनेक्शन दिए जाने का विचार हैं, यदि हां, तो कब सक; और
- (ग) उपर्युक्त संस्थाओं द्वारा अपनी मांग दर्ज कराए जाने के बाद कितने व्यक्तियों तथा फर्मां को नए टोलीफोन कनेक्शन दिए गए हैं?

संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कार्तिक उराव): (क) संदर्भित संस्थानों के सही-सही विवरण के बिना इस प्रश्न का उत्तर दोना कठिन है। फिर भी, 19-7-80 तक प्रतीक्षा सूची इस प्रकार है.—

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प्रत्येक गैर-ओ. वाई.टी. टोलीफोन के लिये 1000 रुपयं तथा ओ. वाई.टी. टोलीफोन लिये 5000 रुपयं की राशि जमा की जा चकी है।

- (स) एक्सचेज में कोई अतिरिक्त क्षमता नहीं है। एक्सचेज का विस्तार किया जा रहा है तथा एक नये एक्सचेज की योजना भी तैयार की जा रही है। 1983 तक प्रतीक्षा सूची के उत्तरोत्तर निपटान किये जाने की आशा है।
- (ग) गैर-ओ. वाई.टी. सामान्य आवेदन पत्रों की मंजूरी देते समय पंजीकरण की तारीख का सख्ती से ध्यान रखा जाता है। टेलीफोन आवंटन नियमों में दिये गये प्राव-धानों का सख्ती से पालन करते हुए ही अन्य कानेक्शन दिये जाते हैं। इन नियमों के अधीन

ही 'विश्लेष' संबर्ग और 'ओ. वार्ड.टी.' आवे-दनों का नम्बर आए बिना भी कनेक्शन दिये जा सकते हैं।

U.N.D.P. Aid for Research Centres, Dryland Farming and Fishing Research Centres

5899. SHRI S. B. SIDNAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the United Nations Development Programme have agreed to provide assistance to various agricultural improvement and research centres, dryland farming and fisheries research centres in India; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The following are the Projects being executed by the ICAR with the UNDP assistance:—
 - 1. Post-graduate Agricultural Education and Research for Establishing Centres of Advanced Studies (1ND)/73/020, IND/78/020 and IND/77/003).

The development objective of this project is to support the nation's food production efforts by strengthening centres of advanced studies for postgraduate teaching and research in selected fields of agricultural sciences, with a view to help in enhancing the competence of professional staff and augmenting facilities for high quality research, to tackle problems coming in the way of increased agricultural production in the country. It would also reduce dependence on foreign countries for post-graduate education.

The UNDP initially approved following six sub projects in 1971:—

(i) Plant Protection at the Univercity of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore;

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- (ii) Dairy Science at the National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal;
- (iii) Poultry Science at the Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar;
- (iv) Soil & Water Management at the Haryana Agricultural University, Hissar;
- (v) Agricultural Engineering at the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana; and
- (vi) Agricultural Economics at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi.

In view of the overall success of the project and following the recommendations of the UNESCO/FAO Technical Advisory Mission of January, 1978, on the request of the Government of India, the UNDP has further sanctioned Phase III to establish seven new Centres of Advanced Studies from June, 1979, to start similar operations, in the disciplines viz:—

- (i) Agricultural Microbiology at the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University. Coimbatore;
- (ii) Tropical Horticulture at the Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bangalore, in collaboration with the University of Agricultural Research, Bangalore;
- (iii) Temperate Horticulture at the Himachal Pradesh Agricultural University, Solan Campus;
- (iv) Mariculture at the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Cochin:
- (v) Plant Physiology at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute New Delhi;
- (vi) Dairy Processing at the National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal; and
- (vii) Agriculture Communication at the G. B. Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, Pantnagar.

2. Project on Improvement of Date Palm. UNDP Project No. IND/78/006/C/01/31.

The UNDP is providing assistance to a project entitled "Improvement of Date Palm" for a period of five years with effect from April 1978 at a total UNDP input of \$456,200 and Government of India inputs of Indian Rs. 1,590,820 (in kind).

The immediate objectives of the project are introduction and evaluation of suitable varieties of dates at different locations viz., Mundra (Gujarat) Bikaner and Jodhpur (Rajasthan) and Hissar (Haryana) in semiarid areas. It may be mentioned here that 500 suckers of important cultivars have already been imported from California in September, 1978 and have been planted at the above mentioned locations.

3. Project on Intensification of Fresh-water Fish Culture.

The FAO/UNDP assistance to the Project on 'Intensification of freshwater fish culture and training' at Freshwater Aquaculture Research and Training Centre at Dhauli, Orissa is to the tune of US \$5,82,509 over a period of 5 years from June, 1979. The foreign assistance will be in the form of consultants, fellowships abroad and essential equipment not available in India.

The Project will assist in:—

- (i) strengthening the existing research training and demonstration facilities required to sustain the future development of freshwater aquaculture at the national level;
- (ii) training the highly specialized staff required for the above purpose; and
- (iii) in formulating the implementing realistic research and demonstration programmes aimed at filling the existing gaps in fish culture technology as well as directed

towards the transfer of the newly developed technologies to the producer.

Food Production in Punjab

5900. SHRI R. L. BHATIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total production in Punjab in respect of wheat and rice upto June, 1980; and
- (b) the percentage of production of wheat and rice in Punjab with that of all India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY AGRICULTURE \mathbf{OF} (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) The production of rice in Punjab has steadily increased from a level of 14.5 lakh tonnes in 1975-76 to 30.7 lakh tonnes ill 1978-79. The production of wheat has also increased in Punjab from a level of 57.9 lakh tonnes in 1975-76 to 73.9 lakh tonnes in 1978-79. The final estimates of rise and wheat for 1979-80 have not yet become available from Punjab. However, according to current assessment, the production of rice might be around the last year's level of 30.7 lakh tonnes in 1978-79, while the production of wheat might mark an increase of about 3 to 5 per cent over the level of 73.9 lakh tonnes in 1978-79.

(b) The percentage production of wheat and rice in Punjab to that of all-India is 4.9 and 21.2 respectively for the triennium ended 1978-79.

Fair Price Shops without Rice

5901. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU:

SHRI BAPUSAHEB PARULEKAR:

SHRI NAVIN RAVANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of fair price shops in Delhi have gone without stocks of rice, for the last fortnight;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN):

(a) There was some paucity of rice at some of the fair price shops in Delhi during the third and fourth weeks of June and first few days of July, 1980.

(b) and (c). The supply was interrupted at some of the fair price shops due to the go-slow and work-to-rule agitation of the Food Corporation of India staff. However, Delhi Administration took contingency steps for uninterrupted supply of food articles through centres opened for this purpose.

Opening of P&T Offices in Bihar

5902. SHRI HARINATH MISRA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages, District-wise, in Bihar which do not have Posts & Telegraph Offices till now; and
- (b) the number of Posts & Telegraph Offices that are proposed to be opened in Bihar as a whole and in North Bihar, District-wise during the Sixth Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KARTIK ORAON): (a) District-wise information relating to the number of villages that do not have post offices in Bihar is furnished in Annexure I and the number of villages that do not have telegraph offices in Bihar is furnished in Annexure II.

(b) The number of Posts and Telegraph Offices that are proposed to be opened in Bihar as a whole and in North Bihar District-wise during the Sixth Plan period will be finalised after the Plan targets are decided.