

- (c) (i) Kelbex International Ltd.
- (ii) Tata Oil Mills Co. Ltd.
- (iii) Golden Hind Shipping (India) Pvt. Ltd.
- (iv) Universal Foods Pvt. Ltd.

Development of Sunderbans in West Bengal

3815. SHRI M. V. CHANDRA SHEKARA MURTHY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether International Fund for agricultural development has decided to provide with a loan of Rs. 14.7 crores for development of the Sunderbans project in West Bengal;

(b) if so, total cost of expenditure involved;

(c) when the project is likely to start and whether any agreement has been signed; and

(d) when it is likely to be completed?

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

(b) Rs. 31.8 crores.

(c) Agreement has not yet signed. Project is likely to start after the signing of the agreement.

(d) Expected project completion date is December 31, 1985.

Survey on Dairying

3816. SHRI K. A. RAJAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to serious and alarming disclosures in the special patriot survey on dairying (November 2, 1980) in an article on spot light on performance (Operation Flood) as

also an article entitled EEC Dairy Aid No boon and Europe's surplus India's burden; and

(b) if in view of these and other alarming press reports, the Government propose to order an indepth independent Inquiry by Indian Economists on the working of the NDDB/IDC in respect of dairying and oilseed projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) Government's attention has been drawn to the articles published in the Special Patriot's survey on Dairy Development in India.

(b) Since the critical comments in the Articles do not correctly conform to facts, Government do not consider there is any necessity for an enquiry. The Project Operation Flood has generally been successful. A terminal evaluation of the Operation Flood project is, however, scheduled to be conducted by a team of experts in early 1981.

Action taken on Plan to save farm Animal from Drought affected

3817. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) details of the action plan incorporating different packages of practices for implementation to save farm animals in the drought affected States; and

(b) the States which are implementing this action plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) The Ministry had issued detailed guidelines to the drought affected States for saving farm animals from drought. In these guidelines various packages of practices to be followed in emergent situations were highlighted for ready adoption in vulnerable areas. These