

the population taking into consideration the special needs and circumstances of different areas. The recruitment are made in accordance with the reservation policy of the Government.

Late Running of Doon Express

1501 SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether 3009 Howrah-Dehradun Express has been continuously arriving late at the Bareilly Junction for the last one year;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken to ensure running of the said train on the scheduled time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) and (b). The punctuality of 3009 UP Doon Express has not been satisfactory during the last one year due to various reasons such as accidents, agitations, equipment failures, alarm-chain-pulling, running out of path, miscreant activities etc.

(c) All efforts including intensive chasing and daily monitoring at different levels are being undertaken regularly. In addition, punctuality drives both at Inspectorial and Officers level are also being launched.

[English]

Development of Pulses

1502 SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the States where efforts have been made for the development of pulses under the National Pulses Development Programme; and

(b) the details of efforts made and net outcome thereof during the last three years in each State particularly in the Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) The National Pulses Development Project (NPDP) is being implemented in 255 selected districts spread over in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Delhi.

(b) For increasing the production of pulses, efforts are being made to propagate the adoption of improved production technology through organisation of field demonstrations and trainings, supply of key inputs like

quality seeds, improved farm implements, Rhizobial culture, micro-nutrients, sprinkler sets, etc.

Besides, frontline demonstrations through ICAR and State Department of Agriculture are being organised to demonstrate the latest pulses production technology.

A letter from the Agriculture Minister to all Chief Ministers has also gone which asks for chalking out a time bound programme for increasing production of pulses. The statement indicating state-wise net outcome in terms of production of pulses achieved in the last three years is given in the Statement enclosed.

STATEMENT

Production of Pulses

000 Tonnes

S. No.	State/UT	Production		
		1993-94	1994-95	1995-96 (Prov.)
1	Andhra Pradesh	677.0	636.5	804
2	Arunachal Pradesh	5.3	5.5	-
3	Assam	57.0	59.4	84
4	Bihar	735.5	810.5	811
5	Goa	5.1	5.1	-
6	Gujarat	538.1	518.5	432
7	Haryana	469.6	493.6	566
8	Himachal Pradesh	8.6	10.3	22
9	Jammu and Kashmir	19.2	19.2	20
10	Karnataka	630.3	625.2	769
11	Kerala	33.3	33.0	20
12	Madhya Pradesh	3264.6	3572.0	3679
13	Maharashtra	2205.3	1698.3	1812
14	Meghalaya	2.5	2.4	-
15	Manipur	-	-	-
16	Nagaland	10.0	10.0	-
17	Orissa	498.6	563.6	537
18	Punjab	80.7	90.5	92
19	Rajasthan	1071.1	1965.6	1874
20	Sikkim	5.5	4.4	-
21	Tamil Nadu	276.4	396.0	556
22	Tripura	6.5	6.5	-
23	Uttar Pradesh	2516.0	2418.7	2633
24	West Bengal	170.6	153.9	205
25	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0.8	0.8	-
26	Delhi	1.0	1.0	-
27	Others *	16.20	16.2	51
All India		13304.8	14116.7	14967

* Include Manipur, Delhi and A & N Islands also