

in connection with the Integrated Urban Development Programme;

(b) whether it is a fact that slum improvement has not been included in the Integrated Urban Development Programme; and

(c) if so, reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN-  
TARY AFFAIRS AND WORKS AND  
HOUSING (SHRI BHISHMA NARAIN  
SINGH): (a) Out of 20 towns allo-  
cated to West Btngal for loan as-  
sistance under the scheme for Inte-  
grated Development of Small and Me-  
dium Towns, project reports for 12  
towns have been received. These  
are—

1. Kharagpur
2. Midnapur
3. Bankura
4. Kalimpong
5. Cooch-Behar
6. Purulia
7. English Bazar
8. Tarakeshwar
3. Krishnanagar
10. Suri
11. Berhampur
12. Balurghat.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) According to the guidelines of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns, though they are part of the integrated development project schemes for slum improvement are provided for in the State plan and are not eligible for Central assistance under the Scheme. The State Government have not indicated the reasons for not including slum improvement in the integrated programme. However, they have been requested to make adequate outlays in the State and Local Body Sector.

### Condition in Delhi Zoological Park

8388. SHRI R. P. GAEKWAD:  
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Zoological Park is not being kept neat and clean and it odours foul smell due to stagnant water and stinking water-canal;

(b) whether it is also a fact that too many birds are lodged in the same enclosure, the Hippopotamus, Chimpanzees, Peacocks, Jackals and Rabbits and most of the animals live in their own excreta and there is all round decay and sickness; and

(c) how Government propose to improve the upkeep of the Zoo?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN  
THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICUL-  
TURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a)  
No, Sir. The Delhi Zoological Park is one of the better maintained zoological parks in the country.

(b) No, Sir. The birds are kept in aviaries designed for this purpose. The hippopotamus, chimpanzees, peacocks, jackals and rabbits are kept in separate enclosures which are cleaned regularly.

(c) Government has appointed an Advisory Committee for advising on the proper management of the Delhi Zoological Park. In addition, there is a panel of honorary veterinarians, which advises and assists the zoo staff in the treatment of animals.

### Amendment of Land Acquisition Act

8389. PROF. MADHU DANDA-  
VATE: Will the Minister of RURAL  
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a growing dissatisfaction over the acquisition of agricultural lands in the vicinity of Delhi and that too with meagre compensation;