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Poultry Farming

1279. Shri V. P. Nayar: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state what is the present position of intensive poultry farming in India?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): Apart from State Poultry Farms and Demonstration Centres established under the programme of normal activities of the State Animal Husbandry Departments, 300 Poultry Extension-cum-Development Centres are to be set up all over the country under the Second Five-Year Plan. About 170 out of these 300 Centres have started functioning. These Centres will be responsible for incubation of eggs, supply of improved breeds of poultry to the villagers in the blocks and demonstration of modern methods of poultry keeping to the farmers. In addition, 5 Regional Poultry Farms which are intended to acclimatise and supply high-bred chicks to the State Poultry Farms for use as foundation stock are also proposed to be set up under the Second Five-Year Plan. One of these Regional Farms has already started functioning while the remaining four are in the process of being set up.

Increase in Poultry Yield

1280. Shri V. P. Nayar: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) how far the introduction of imported birds or eggs has increased the yield from Poultry, and

(b) what are the successful varieties of such birds found so far in Indian Poultry Farming?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) According to a tentative estimate, the total 178 (A1) LSD—2.

production of eggs in India increased from 13,412 lakhs in 1945 to 20,853 lakhs in 1956. This increase is largely attributable to introduction of birds of foreign breeds.

(b) Rhode Island and White Leghorn.

Construction of Roads in Uttar Pradesh

1281. { Shri Radha Mohan Singh:
Shri Kalika Singh:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have received any scheme from the Uttar Pradesh State Government for the construction of roads during 1959-60 under the Central Road Fund Scheme, and

(b) if so, what is the scheme and whether it has been approved?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): In April 1959, five schemes estimated to cost Rs 10.93 lakhs were approved for being financed from the State's Allocations from the Central Road Fund. A statement giving the names of the approved works is laid on the Table [See Appendix II, annexure No 125].

Further proposals are awaited from the Government of Uttar Pradesh.

Post Offices and Sub-Post Offices in Ballia Parliamentary Constituency

1282 Shri Radha Mohan Singh: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Post Offices and Sub-Post Offices opened during 1958-59 in Ballia Parliamentary Constituency with names of places; and

(b) the places where it is proposed to open new Post Offices and Sub-Post Offices during 1959-60 in the same Constituency?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri S. K. Patil): (a)