

Per capita availability of foodgrains

55. SHRI SUNIL MAITRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the per capita availability of foodgrains in 1980 and 1981?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): The estimated per capita availability of foodgrains in India was 150.4 Kgs. in 1980 and 167.9 Kgs. in 1981.

एशियाई गांव में भोजन की किस्म

56. श्री दया राम शर्मा : क्या खेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 18 सितम्बर, 1982 के दैनिक हिन्दुस्तान में प्रकाशित "खेल गांव में घटिया किस्म का भोजन" शीर्षक समाचार की ओर आकृष्ट किया गया है ; और

(ख) सरकार ने इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कार्यवाही की है और इनके लिए उत्तरदायी लोगों के विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

प्रति मंत्रालय के तथा खेल विभाग के राजस्व मंत्री (श्री बृट्टा सिंह): (क) जी, हां। तथापि, परीक्षण खेलों के दौरान एशियाई खेल ग्राम में दिए गए भोजन से सम्बन्धित समाचार वास्तविक रूप से सही नहीं हैं। राष्ट्रीय खेल मंथान, पटियाला द्वारा निर्धारित भोजन-सूची के अनुसार परीक्षण खेलों के दौरान प्रति दिन प्रति

व्यक्ति कम से कम पांच हजार कैलोरी वाला पोषटिक और स्वास्थ्यवर्धक भोजन दिया जाता था।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Bringing new irrigated areas under Oilseeds Cultivation

57. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:

SHRI H. N. NANJE GOWDA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has asked all State Governments to vigorously implement the schemes to bring new irrigated area under oilseeds to meet the growing demand for edible oils;

(b) whether the Central Government have given any incentives, facilities including subsidies on basic inputs as desired by the State Governments;

(c) if so, details thereof;

(d) whether the expansion of research facilities in this regard have also been shown by the Centre; and

(e) how far the research will prove to be helpful in increasing the groundnut yield by States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Extension of Oilseeds to New-Irrigated Areas, the following

assistance, by way of subsidies, is being made available, at present:

Item	Rate of Subsidy
1. Seed	
(i) Certified	To the extent of Rs. 150/- per quintal in respect of rapeseed and groundnut.
(ii) Truly labelled seed	To the extent of Rs. 100/- per quintal in respect of rapeseed and groundnut.
2. Plant Protection	
(i) Chemicals	50%
(ii) Ground operation charges	Rs. 15/- per hectare
(iii) Aerial operation charges	Rs. 27.50 per hectare.
3. Minikits	100%
4. Demonstration	Rs. 200/- per hectare.

The entire expenditure on seed and Plant Protection at (1) and (2) above is met by the Government of India. The expenditure on Minikits and Demonstration at (3) and (4) is shared equally between the Government of India and the State Governments.

Under the Special Project for Intensive Production of groundnut in Saurashtra Region of Gujarat, the following additional subsidies are being given to bring new irrigated areas under groundnut:

Item	Rate of subsidy
1. Seed drills	Rs. 200 per piece.
2. Plant protection	
(i) Aerial spraying	Rs. 37.50 per hectare (in place of Rs. 27.50 per hectare indicated above).
(ii) Plant protection appliances	Rs. 200/- per appliance.
3. Cost of irrigation	Rs. 100/- per hectare (tapering subsidy)

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The research on evolving improved varieties, ideal spacing,

optimum fertilizer doses, schedule of irrigation etc. would help in raising the production of groundnut considerably.