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Institute of Rural Management at Anand

10775. SHRI A. NEELALOHITHA-DASAN NADAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Institute of Rural Management, Anand was started by Dairy Board with Swiss and Ford Foundation finances of about Rs. 5 crores without prior clearance from Finance, Planning Commission or EFC or PIB;

(b) whether it is also a fact that NDDB/ IDC/Government's funds were directed without sanction for this project ;

(c) whether the entire project is being now regularised with Rs. 5 crores more for 1983-84 from Government;

(d) whether this project was objected to by Secretary Planning Commission and others at the Steering Committee of Operation Flood I and II; and

(e) whether there are other Institutes including one at Ahmedabad for Rural Management and the setting up of one more Institute is infructuous and wasteful for training of 20-30 graduates ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) The Institute of Rural Management started functioning from July, 1980 initially with the funds available under Operation Flood II project.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) No, Sir.

(e) The scope and activities of the existing Institutes devoted to rural management were considered before approval was accorded by the competent authority for the establishment of the Institute of Rural Management at Anand.

Target for Crop Insurance Coverage for 1983-84

10776. SHRI S.B. SIDNAL : SHRI A. NEELALOHITHADA-SAN NADAR : SHRI A.C. DAS :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the target fixed for the crop insurance coverage for 1983-84 and for the Sixth Plan period with State-wise target;

(b) whether any evaluation had been made of the crop insurance scheme implemented so far in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is proposed to increase the coverage under the crop insurance scheme in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) A target of covering 5 lakh hectares through-out the country under the Crop Insurance Scheme has been projected for the Sixth Five Year Plan (1980-85). A statement indicating statewise tar ets in terms of sum insured for 1983-84 for 12 states which would be participating in the scheme is enclosed.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). In view of limited coverage of the scheme during the last 3 years, it is proposed to step up its coverage during the next two years to achieve the targets envisaged.

Statement

Statement showing the state-wise targets for 1983-84 in terms of sum insured

		(Rupees in crores)
Sl. Name of State No.		Target for 1983-84
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2.50
2.	Bihar	1.00
3.	Haryana	1.00
4.	Karnataka	1.10
5.	Kerala	0.50
6.	Madhya Pradesh	1.00
7.	Maharashtra	0.80
8.	Orissa	2.00
9.	Rajasthan	0.25
10.	Tamil Nadu	1.50
11.	Uttar Pradesh	1.50
12.	West Bengal	1.45
TOTAL		14.60