

rabi, 1981-82, the production of wheat seed was affected, due to adverse climatic conditions. In order to meet the requirements of seed in rabi 1982-83, some of the State Govts. lifted good quality wheat grain which was used for seed purpose. The concerned State Governments before lifting these grains satisfied themselves about the suitability and existence of Karnal Bunt. Incidentally, the tolerance limit of the disease in certified wheat seed is 0.5%.

(e) According to the existing policy of export determined by the Ministry of Commerce, rice seeds are exported in Open General Licence basis.

**Grant of Subsidy against Soil  
Conservation Scheme in Andaman and  
Nicobar Islands**

4300. SHRI BABURAO PARANJPE : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4489 on 22 August, 1983 regarding grant of subsidy against Soil Conservation Scheme in Andaman and Nicobar Islands and State :

(a) whether in November, 1980, his Ministry had received a proposal from the Andaman and Nicobar Administration for grant of subsidy to individual and cooperative societies which were availing loan facility for soil conservation work, planting and maintenance;

(b) when did his Ministry ask the Andaman and Nicobar Administration to furnish a complete proposal in this regard;

(c) what further details have been asked to be furnished in the complete proposal; and

(d) the progress made so far in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Andaman and Nicobar Island Administration was requested to furnish a complete proposal in the month of May, 1981.

(c) and (d) Further details of the Scheme under operation along with the consolidated proposal were called for during June, 1983 which were furnished by the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Administration in October, 1983. This matter is being processed.

**World Bank Assistance for National  
Agriculture Extension Project**

4301. SHRI K. PRADHANI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the financial and technical assistance expected to be made available by the World Bank for implementation of the National Agriculture Extension Project (NAEP) during the next five years to complement a similar World Bank aided umbrella programme called the National Agricultural Research Project (NARP);

(b) the amount of further aid to be made available to Orissa, which has already completed its five-year programme, from the World Bank for sustaining the momentum already generated through the programmes; and

(c) the highlights of the new umbrella programme (NAEP) ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) The matter is under consideration of the World Bank, who are at present appraising the Sub-Projects of the States of Orissa, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan, as well as the Directorate of Extension, Ministry of Agriculture.

(b) The Orissa NAEP sub-project is being appraised by the World Bank.

(c) (i) To sustain and strengthen ongoing Training and Visit System of Extension in 13 major States by filling voids and deficiencies experienced in the ongoing projects.