(a) the amount of grants, given to each State, particularly to Orissa on account of rural development during the last five years;

(b) the details regarding the progress achieved through these Central grants in that State; and

(c) whether some amount is lying unutilised or has been used for other purposes in the State and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI HARINATHA MISRA): (a) Statements (A) to (D) showing State-wise funds released for the major programme of rural development of the Ministry are laid on the Table of the House.

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(b) Statements (E) to (G) showing yearwise progress achieved under the major programmes of the Ministry being implemented in Orissa are laid on the Table of the House.

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(c) The unspent balance in Orissa as on 1.4.1983 was Rs. 65.50 lakhs under the Drought Prone Area programme and Rs. 1341.14 lakhs under the National Rural Employment Programme. The States are allowed to carry over the unspent balance to the next financial year. This Ministry has no information about any funds having been utilised for other purposes in the State.

Survey of Land Area Under Forestry in India

4305. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have conducted any survey regarding the land area under forestry in India; Written Answers

(b) whether Government are giving adequate attention to improve the plywood industry; and

(c) if so, the number of people working in forestry including plywood industry?

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

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) On an average 240 million mandays employment is generated in Forestry sector including plywood industries per year.

Setting up of Mushroom Complexes

4306. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal to introduce schemes under which Mushroom complexes are propoed to be set up in some States;

(b) whether any such scheme has been introduced or proposed to be introduced to set up mushroom complexes in Orissa;

(c) if so, what specific steps have been taken by the Centre for the growth of mushroom in Orissa; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) At present there is no proposal to introduce Central Sector Centrally Sponsored Schemes for mushroom cultivation in the States. However, a proposal for the development of mushroom cultivation in the States of Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Karnataka with the collaboration of Netherlands is under negotiation. DECEMBER 19, 1983

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Question does not arise.

Transferring Some Trans-Yamuna Colonies from the Control of DDA to MCD

4307. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the DDA is going to transfer Laxmi Nagar-Shakarpur and adjoining colonies of Trans-Yamuna area of Delhi to Delhi Municipal Corporation;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and when; and

(c) whether Government would provide necessary financial assistance for the development of these colonies, if so, to what extent?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI MOHAMMED USMAN ARIF) : (a) Not for the present.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The beneficiaries in the regularised unauthorised colonies are required to pay development charges as determined by the DDA and MCD for development of these colonies.

National Extension Projects

4308. SHRI ANANTHA RAMULU MALLU : Will the minister of AGRICUL-TURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Central Government have proposed Rs. 500 crores for National Extension Projects to the States to provide benefits of the agricultural research and technology to the farmers; and (b) if so, the details regarding the programmes so far made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MACWANA): (a) and (b) Government of India has posed the National Agriculture Extension Project to the World Bank. The total cost of the project is yet to be finalised.

Group Housing Programme at Prithvi Raj Road. Mansingh Road and Aurangzeb Road New Delhi

4309. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA; Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUS-ING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have accepted the official working group recommendation regarding group housing programme at Prithy: Raj Road, Mansingh Road and Aurangzeb Road, New Delhi.

(b) whether instead of decongesting the Capital, it would do the opposite;

(c) whether it would not destroy the green character of the Capital;

(d) in view of the above, whether Government would reconsider their decision; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI MOHAMMED USMAN ARIF): (a) The Government has accepted the recommendations made by the official Working Group on redevelopment of Government and privately leased land in Zones D-11 and D-12, in their interim report, that pending Government decision on their final report, pending applications for group housing in this area may be cleared on the basis of a FAR of 75, a density of 20 dwelling units per acre, ground coverage of 25% and a

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