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## ICAR's Cattle Breeding Project in Madhya Pradesh

7623. SHRI B.D. SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether ICAR's cattle breeding project, Madhya Pradesh was started in 1970; if so, date of start, year-wise milk production cows in milk, cows dry, number of females from start upto 15 March, 1984, genetic group-wise;
- (b) whether DDG (AS) and DG, ICAR had visited it since 1979 and reported on unit's performance; if so details of each visit reports submitted by them upto March 1984;
- (c) amount ICAR released, year-wise, from start upto 1983-84 and year-wise receipts accrued and findings of review of its functioning by any committee and/or workshops vis-a-vis action ICAR has taken thereon till I April, 1984; and
- (d) whether Government are satisfied with functioning and performance of this unit; if not, action proposed to be taken and when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir. The unit started functioning from 1.12.1970. The year wise quantity of milk produced upto 31st March, 1983 is given in Statement-I laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Liabrary. See No. LT-8183/84] The number of cows milk, cows dry and the total number of females on 31st March of each year since 1971 till 1983 and on 1.12.1983 are tabulated in Statement-II laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No LT-8183/84]

(b) Senior Officers visit the agricultural universities from time to time and also utilise the time available to discuss about the functioning of the projects located at these universities. Deputy Director General (AS) also visited the Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi Vishva Vidyalaya, Jabalpur recently on 26th and 27th February, 1984 in connection with the Workshop on the All India

Coordinated Research Project on Poultry. The Assistant Director General (AP and B) also visited the unit from 19th to 21st March, 1984 and the position has been conveyed to the university authorities and Project Coordinator (AB) for further actions. Further action from the side of the Council will be taken after the comments are recei-

(c) The information on the amount year-wise from the ICAR has released start upto 1983-84 and on the year-wise receipts which have accrued is given in Statement-III laid on the Table of the House [Placed in Library. See No LT-8183/84]

The performance of the ICAR Cattle Project is regularly reviewed at the Workshops being held from time to time. It has been recently reviewed at the 6th Workshop held at Haryana Agricultural University, Hissar from 28th to 30th August, 1983.

The performance of the project was reviewed by a Mid-Term Review Committee constituted by the Council for this purpose. This committee has suggested a number of measures for improvement of the working of the project in terms of staff, housing and fund for the unit.

(d) Yes, Sir. However, the ICAR has been taking measures from time to time to improve the functioning of the project further.

## Deaths due to Septic Tank Gas in Capital

7624. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUS-ING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Governments' attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the 'Patriot' dated 14 March, 1984 wherein it has been stated that three persons have been killed in Delhi due to Septic Tank Gas;
- (b) if so, the causes and details thereof: and
- (c) whether any compensation has been paid to the victims and if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS, IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes.

(b) It has been reported by DDA that on the night of 12.3.84 at about 9-00 P.M. three workers (2 male and 1 female) were assigned by the contractor to clean the septic tank in Block A, Jahangir Puri. One of the workers who was cleaning the septic tank by taking out sludge through a manhole with the help of a bucket, was reported to have slipped into the manhole. He could not come out of the septic tank. Another person was then reported to have entered the septic tank to rescue him. He too did not come out. Therefore, the third worker, who had been called to the site by the lady worker, tried to take out the two persons, but to no avail. Thereafter, some more persons were reported to have entered the septic tank and ultimately succeeded in taking out the three trapped persons. All the affected persons were immediately rushed to Hindu Rao Hospital, with the help of local residents. The doctor on duty in Hindu Rao Hospital, pronounced the three persons as dead. The other three were admitted for treatment. The names of three casualities has been given as:

- 1. Shri Chumbadia
- 2. Shri Remnua
- 3. Shri Ramesh.

The survivors who were hospitalised for treatment has since been discharged from the hospital.

(c) The Lt.-Governor of Delhi sanctioned ex-gratia payment of Rs. 5,000 to the next kin of each the three workers who died while cleaning the septic tank, on compassionate grounds.

## कृषि के विकास के लिए हिमालयन अलपाइन इन्स्टोट्यूट की स्थापना

7025. श्री हरीश रावतः क्या कृषि मंत्री यह

बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या हिमालयन क्षेत्र में कृषि तथा उससे संबद्ध क्षेत्रों के विकास की संभावनाओं का पता लगाने के लिये उत्तर प्रदेश के पिथौरागढ़ जिले में मुनसियारी में उत्तर प्रदेश कृषि विश्वविद्यालय पंतनगर के सहयोग से एक हिमालयन अलपाइन इंस्टीट्यूट स्थापित करने का प्रस्ताव है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो प्रस्तावित संस्थान का पूरा व्योरा क्या है ; और

(ग) इस सम्बन्ध में अब तक क्या कार्रवाई की गई है ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री योगेन्द्र मकवाना): (क) से (ग) गोविन्द बल्लभ पन्त कृषि तथा प्रौद्योगिकी विश्वविद्यालय, पंतनगर के सहयोग से उत्तर प्रदेश के पिथौरागढ़ जिले के मनस्यारी में हिमालय अलपाइन संस्थान स्थापित करने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है। तथापि, भारतीय कृषि अनुसंधान परिषद, गोविन्द वल्लभ पन्त कृषि तथा प्रौद्योगिकी विश्वविद्यालय को एक क्षेत्रीय अनुसंधान केन्द्र की स्थापना में, जिसकी सहायक के लिए 1-2 अनुसंधान उप-केन्द्रों की स्थापना की जाएगी, सहायता देने पर सहमत हो गया है, जो हिमालय क्षेत्र में आठ जिलों के लिए कार्य करेगा। मुख्य क्षेत्रीय केन्द्र को रानीचौरी (टिहरी गढ़वाल) में स्थापित करने का प्रस्ताव है तथा चमोली, उत्तरकाशी तथा पिथौरागढ़ जिलों के एक उपयुक्त स्थान में इन उप केन्द्रों में से एक को स्थापित करने का प्रस्ताव है। इस उद्देश्य के लिए विश्वविद्यालय पिथौरागढ़ जिले के मनस्यारी तहमील में करीब 100 एकड़ फार्म प्राप्त करने की कोशिश कर रहा है।

यह अनुसंधान उप-केन्द्र रानीचौरी के क्षेत्रीय अनुसंधान केन्द्र के परीक्षण तथा प्रमाणीकरण केन्द्र के रूप में कार्य करेगा। यह कृषि की महत्वपूर्ण समस्याओं पर अनुसंधान भी करेगा।

विश्वविद्यालय से उप-केन्द्र के सम्बन्ध में एक