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<b>5. OTHER MINOR IRRIGATION WORKS</b>			
(a)	Target Set (Nos.)	—	—
(b)	No. covered	—	—
(c)	No. covered as percentage to total identified	—	—
(d)	No. covered as percentage to target set	—	—
<b>6. ALL INDIA M.I. WORKS</b>			
(a)	Target set (Nos.)	—	—
(b)	No. covered	21,331	4,173
(c)	No. covered as percentage to total identified	26.57	12.30
(d)	No. covered as percentage to target set	—	—

**Subsidy for Soil Conservation  
Scheme in A & N Islands**

9329. **SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA** : Will the Ministers of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received proposal for grant of subsidy under the Soil Conservation Scheme in Andaman and Nicobar Islands sometime during November, 1980 but till date the proposal has not been approved ;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Andaman & Nicobar Islands require vigorous soil conservation measures in order to protect soil from erosion and improvement of land ; and

(c) if so, the reasons Government have not considered the proposal on a priority basis ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) The Andaman and Nicobar Islands Administration was requested to furnish a complete proposal in the month of May, 1981, which was furnished by that Administration in October, 1983. The proposal of liberalisation of terms and conditions governing the grant of loan and subsidy to individual cultivators and cooperatives in the said Union Territory during the Sixth Plan has been approved by the Government of India as a special case and necessary sanction was issued on 6th March, 1984.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise in view of answer to Part (a) above.

**Development of Sunderbans under International Funds for Agricultural Development**

9330. **SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL** : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the progress made so far in the development of Sunderbans region in West Bengal, the most backward area, under the International Funds for Agricultural Development (IFAD a World Bank Organ) which was taken up in late 1982 ;

(b) the main fields of operation of these IFAD aided projects ; and

(c) the total expenditure involved in these projects ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : Sundarban Development Project with assistance from International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) is being implemented by Govt. of West Bengal since 1981-82. So far under the Project, twenty three 90 cm. diameter hume pipe sluices have been constructed and work on 26 more is in progress. Survey work for 13.5 km of main drains has been completed and construction work has started. 42 km. of derelict channels have been re-excavated and contour bunds have been constructed in 156 ha. of land.

Regarding infrastructure facilities, work on five reinforced cement concrete jetties is