

(a) whether most of the milch cattle unit provided to the beneficiaries in Orissa under Integrated Rural Development Programme have not been successful;

(b) whether due to failure of unit of milch cattle provided to the beneficiaries in a wrong manner and due to low grade milch cattle, and non-payment of instalment of loan as a result thereof the second unit or other benefits are not provided;

(c) whether due to such defects there has been an increase in the rural indebtedness and the schemes meant for raising rural income and production have failed; and

(d) if so, steps taken to assist such beneficiaries and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI HARINATHA MISRA): (a) to (d) Information is being collected from the State Government and will be placed on the Table of the House.

#### Central Agricultural Farms

9361. SHRI A.K. ROY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to lay a statement showing:

(a) the names and areas of agricultural farms owned by Central Government in the country and the details thereof;

(b) the total production and productivity for area of different crops in them for the last three years with year-wise break up;

(c) the average consumption of fertiliser in these farms for the same period;

(d) whether there is any plan to increase the number of Central Government farms in different States in the current year; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

#### Re-Employed Employees in ICAR

9362. SHRI MOHAMMAD ASRAR

AHMAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the particulars of employees as on 1 April, 1984 in ICAR including scientists and others, separately, category-wise who are working after attaining superannuation, and if so, the reasons thereof; and

(b) the period upto which extension has been granted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) Dr. O.P. Gautam, Secretary, DARE and D.G., ICAR has been granted extension by the Government of India in service for a period of one year with effect from 1.2.84 with the approval of the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet of which the Prime Minister is the Chairman. Dr. J.S.P. Yadav, Ex. Vice Chancellor, Haryana Agricultural University and Hx-Director Central Soil Salinity Research Institute, Karnal, has been appointed as Chairman, Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board which is an independent recruiting agency responsible for recruitment to posts in Agricultural Research Service and to such other posts and services as may be specified by the President, I.C.A.R., from time to time, with effect from 18.2.83 initially for a period of three years, extendable by another 2 years. His appointment has also been approved by the Appointment Committee of the Cabinet. His terms for appointment are more or less similar to that of a Member of the U.P.S.C. Dr. Yadav will continue in the post as per the terms and conditions indicated above. Such extension/re-employments have been given earlier in the case of the top scientists not only in ICAR but also some of the sister scientific organisations as well. It may be incidentally added that the Scientists' category is exempted from the ban on extension of employment.

#### Financial assistance to agriculture universities

9363. SHRI MOHAMMAD ASRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the financial assistance made available to 23 agricultural universities and other institutions for their development of economic programme, infrastructure development,

purchase of equipments, allotment of scientists etc. separately during 1980-81, 1981-82, 1982-83 and 1983-84 by ICAR and UGC separately ; and

(b) the funds made available to the institutions and universities where programmes are going on during the above period and the full particulars thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b) Out of the 23 agricultural universities in the country, the Council has been providing assistance to 21 agricultural Universities during VI Plan period. In addition the Council also provided assistance to three Colleges of Agriculture of Central Universities and Colleges of Agriculture affiliated to general universities. The details are given in statements-I to XXXI. [Placed in library, see No. LT.8315/84]

This Central assistance has been provided under the Scheme "Establishment and Development of Agricultural Universities", "Development of Affiliated Colleges of Central Universities" and "Central Development of affiliated colleges of general universities" for developing the infrastructural facilities in the agricultural universities/colleges.

#### Posts of Administrative officers

9364. SHRI MOHAMMAD ASRAR AHMAD : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of sanctioned posts of Administrative Officer, Senior Administrative Officer and Chief Administrative Officer in various projects and establishment under Indian Council of Agricultural Research ;

(b) the number of Administrative Officer, Senior Administrative Officer and Chief Administrative Officer actually working on 1 April, 1984 and the vacancies of each lying vacant, since when and reasons therefor ; and

(c) the steps taken to fill-up these vacancies and details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b) A statement-I is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [Placed in library see No. LT-8316/84]

(c) A statement-II is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [Placed in library see No. LT-8316/84]

#### Convention of Indian society of Agriculture Engineering

9365. SHRI R. P. GAEKWAD : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Society of Agriculture Engineering held a convention in New Delhi recently ;

(b) if so, the subjects discussed ; and

(c) the reaction of Government to the suggestions made in the convention and the steps taken to apply them in the appropriate field of development ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers (ISAE) held its XXI Convention in the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi during April 5-7, 1984.

(b) The ISAE has informed that the Convention had a theme session on "Agricultural Engineering in the Service of Rural India" and a general session on "Role of Institutional Financing and Agro-Industries Corporations". Besides, these, concurrent technical sessions in the areas of Farm Machinery and Power, Agricultural Processing and Structures, Energy in Agriculture, and Soil and Water Conservation Engineering were also held. A total of about 130 papers were presented during these technical sessions.

(c) The Government is yet to receive a report on the suggestions made in this Convention.

#### Increase in subsidy under the integrated rural development programme

9366. SHRI K. PRADHANI : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT