

bills passed by the State Legislatures, which deal with land, require President's assent for their enactment. Such bills are received every now and then. They are examined by the Ministry of Rural Development and other concerned ministries before a decision is taken on whether President's assent can be given to them.

Projects Stalled due to Conservation of Forests in Hilly Areas

3171. SHRI E. BALANANDAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that in the hill districts of all States construction works like road building, irrigation and hydel projects, including those on which lot of money had already been spent but not yet completed, have been stopped in the name of conservation of forests causing lot of discontent amongst the local population ; and

(b) if so, the position regarding each of these projects which have been stopped, those going to be re-started, those still under consideration and those which have been given up finally ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) :

(a) Na, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Collection of Sugar Cess

3172. SHRI R.P. DAS : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount of sugar cess collected from the date of its introduction, year-wise ;

(b) the amount spent on modernisation of old sugar mills so far from this source, State-wise ; and

(c) the funds allocated for other purposes ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (DR. M.S. SANJEEVI RAO) : (a) The total amount of sugar cess collected from the date of its introduction year-wise is as under :—

(1) 1/6/82 to 31/3/83 (82-83)	Rs. 51,53,89,450.68
(2) 1/4/83 to 31/3/84 (83-84)	Rs. 1,06,81,36,120.65
(3) 1/4/84 to 30/6/84 (84-85)	Rs. 18,67,26,286.83

Total Collection— Rs. 1,77,22,51,858.16

(b) No financial assistance has been granted so far for modernisation of old sugar mills.

(c) Funds allocated during 1984-85 for various purposes are :—

(1) Grant-in-aid for Development of Sugar Industry (Non-Plan).	Rs. 10 lakhs
(2) Loans for Rehabilitation/Modernisation of Sugar Mills.	Rs. 5 crores
(3) Loans to Sugar Mills for Cane Development.	Rs. 2 crores
(4) Subsidy to Sugar Mills for holding Buffer Stock of Sugar of 5 lakh tonnes.	Rs. 46 crores

Achievement of IRDP in Orissa

3173. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the achievement of the Integrated Rural Development Programme launched in Orissa ;

(b) whether any preference was given in the areas of tribal population so far as the