

During 1971-72, a provision of Rs. 60.00 lakhs has been made in the Central Budget for giving grant-in-aid to State/Union Territories for the establishment of additional 24 Leprosy Control Units, 115 Survey, Education and Treatment Centres and for upgrading 17 Subsidiary Centres of I and II Plan period into Leprosy Control Units and conversion of Mobile Leprosy Control Team of Tripura into Leprosy Control Unit and for continuation of the Scheme implemented in 1969-70 and 1970-71.

**Progress in Crash Programme for Rural Employment**

73. SHRI DINFISH CHANDER GOSWAMI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the States where effective progress has been made in the Crash Programme for rural employment ; and

(b) steps the Government is taking to make the programme uniformly effective throughout the whole country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. SHER SINGH) : (a) According to the reports so far received, work on projects has started in Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Chandigarh, Delhi and A N Islands. The programme is likely to be implemented with full vigour in all States and Union Territories now that the monsoons are over and the preliminaries in regard to accounting and other matters have been sorted out.

(b) Chief Ministers of all the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations have been requested to formulate proposals for the next two years and also to undertake a programme twice as large as the allocation for the current year with a view to ensuring full utilisation of funds and also to see that there is no interruption in the continuity of work during the slack season.

The Central Teams have already visited 14 States with a view to sorting out problems, removing bottlenecks and ensuring effective implementation of the programme. Further

visits are being planned in consultation with the State Governments.

**Closure of Panchayat Raj Training Centres**

74. SHRI RAJDEO SINGH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether some States have closed down the Panchayat Raj Training Centres operating in their States for want of resources ; and

(b) if so, the names of such States and reaction of Government thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. SHER SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Panchayati Raj Training Centres operating in Andhra Pradesh, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab and Haryana have been closed for financial reasons. No regression has, however, been reported in these States as training facilities are provided at the Composite Training Centres in the States.

**Reopening of Kalyani University**

75. SHRIMATI BIBHA GHOSH GOSWAMI : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Kalyani University (West Bengal) has been closed indefinitely ;

(b) the reason thereof ; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to reopen the University ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (PROF. D. P. YADAVA) : (a) to (c). According to the information furnished by the Kalyani University, the University has re-opened after remaining closed for about 15 days ; but it has not been functioning normally since students are abstaining from classes and are not taking the examination.