

(v) dairy development, (vi) fisheries, (vii) construction of godowns and (viii) plantation and horticulture.

(c) The physical agricultural development which had already been taking place or was under progress under the schemes sanctioned upto June 1971 (latest available) with the help of financial assistance provided by the Corporation was sizeable. In case of minor irrigation works, 42244 tubewells and 52797 dugwells had been constructed or were under construction as at the end of June 1971 and finance for installation of 1,14,860 {pumpsets, both electric as well as deisel, on new wells and existing wells was provided under ARC Schemes. In a number of cases, assistance was provided for construction of field channels, for supply of bullock lifted buckets or erection of mechanical lift irrigation units. Rs. 1.07 crores was passed on to the State Electricity Boards as deposits from cultivators out of the Corporation's loans under minor irrigation schemes. It is expected that these schemes would bring 685000 acres of land under double cropping.

Under land development, schemes refinanced by ARC had helped to level and develop 7,21,000 acres and make them fit for receiving irrigation from major irrigation works. Apart from this, finance was provided for bunding 5,17,000 acres under soil conservation.

The Corporation has provided assistance for development of plantations and orchards, covering new plantations as well as re-planting and maintenance of old plantations. Under these schemes, 12,494 acres under coconut, 10,321 acres under coffee, 6,150 acres under apples, 3,409 acres under rubber, 3,117 acres under tea, 2,927 acres under cardamon and 7,254 acres under citrus and other orchards like mango, orange, grapes etc. had been or were being developed with financial assistance provided under ARC schemes up to the end of June 1971.

Under the fisheries schemes sanctioned by the Corporation, 360 mechanized boats have been provided to fishermen in North and South Kanara Districts of Mysore, Madras and Chingleput Districts of Tamil Nadu, Ratnagiri District of Maharashtra and Calicut

District of Kerala. Finance was provided to cultivators for purchase of 513 tractors and combine-harvesters in Uttar Pradesh, 335 tractors in Haryana, 181 tractors in Kosi in Bihar, 14 tractors in Madhya Pradesh and 6 tractors in Punjab. In regard to storage facilities provided under ARC schemes, as many as 129 godowns were constructed in Punjab with a storage capacity of 2,06,000 tonnes and 4 in Gujarat with a storage capacity of 2,000 tonnes.

I.D.A. Loan for Pochampad Irrigation Schemes

1763. SHRI P. VENKATASUBBIAH :
SHRI D. KAMAKSHIAH :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the International Development Association has sanctioned a credit of \$ 39 million to India for the first phase of Pochampad Irrigation Schemes in Andhra Pradesh ;

(b) if so, the terms and conditions of the credit ; and

(c) how it is proposed to be utilised ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YESHWANTRAO CHAVAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The credit is repayable over 50 years including a grace period of ten years, carrying no interest, but only a service charge of 3/4 of one per cent per annum to meet the I.D.A.'s administrative costs.

(c) It is proposed to utilise the credit in the following ways :

(i) For importing equipment and materials costing about \$ 4.8 million (Rs. 3.60 crores) required for the project, and

(ii) For financing a part of the expenditure on the dam, canals and other civil works.