

**ANNASAHIB P. BHINDE** : (a) Yes, Sir. Under the Fourth Five Year Plan, a provision of Rs. 83.00 crores has been made for fisheries development, and several schemes are being implemented by the Central and State Governments.

The Central schemes relate to the provision of harbours, exploratory surveys of fish resources, support to the indigenous industry for construction of deep sea steel fishing vessels, education, training and research. Fishing Harbours of varying sizes for mechanised boats as well as for deep sea fishing vessels are being constructed. Seven large fishing harbours capable of handling deep sea fishing vessels have been sanctioned at Madras, Tuticorin Vizhinjam, Cochin, Roychowk, Bombay and Port Blair. Smaller harbours and improvements to landing and berthing facilities for fishing vessels in the form of jetties and deepening of channels and basins have been sanctioned at 71 sites. Investigations have been conducted by the Visakhapatnam and Paradeep Port Trusts for drawing up project projects for deep sea fishing harbours A. U. N. D. P. assisted Project has also been conducting surveys in several States and is drawing up project reports including engineering plans for fishing harbours at several additional sites. The requirements of vessels for deep sea fishing are being met by a suitable balancing of imports against indigenous construction. While import of a limited number of vessels by the industry has been permitted the indigenous ship building industry has been encouraged to develop expertise in construction of large steel fishing vessels. A scheme of subsidy for indigenously constructed steel fishing vessels has been introduced. Orders for 40 deep sea fishing vessels were placed by the Central and State Governments on the indigenous ship building yards in 1968-69. Twenty of these vessels have since been delivered. Out of 40 vessels, 20 are being added to the fleet of the Central deep Sea Fishing Organisation which conducts exploratory surveys. Eight new bases for exploratory surveys are being established. A U.N.D.P. Project for survey of pelagic fish resources on the West coast has come into operation this year. The training facilities for operatives of deep sea fishing vessels have been expanded, and research on various aspects of inland and marine fisheries has also been intensified.

Under the state schemes, the programme of introduction of mechanised boats for coastal fishing is being continued. The fourth Plan of the States envisages introduction of 5,500 mechanised boats in addition to about 8,000 mechanised boats introduced in the previous plan periods. The level of production (marine and inland) prior to the Fourth Plan period was 15.26 lakh tonnes. The targetted increase in annual level of production in the marine sector at the end of the Fourth Plan is 4.41 lakh tonnes and in the inland sector 1.75 lakh tonnes. The total production reached in 1970 was 17.46 lakh tonnes. The actual value of exports of marine products which was Rs. 7.06 crores in 1965-66 rose to Rs. 35.07 crores in 1970-71. The target of annual export of marine products at the end of the Fourth Plan is Rs. 61.00 crores.

In the inland sector, emphasis is being placed on increase of seed production, adoption of improved fish farming techniques and development of reservoirs and brackish water fisheries. The State Governments are implementing several schemes with these objectives in view.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

**Introduction of Diploma Course in Agriculture in Viswa Bharati Birbhum**

**2047. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA** : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Diploma Course in Agriculture has been introduced in Viswa Bharati, West Bengal; and

(b) if so, the year in which it has been introduced and the amount of grants given to the University for Agricultural Education by Central Government?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASAN)** : (a) and (b), Viswa-Bharati has not introduced a Diploma Course in Agriculture. A grant of Rs. 2.16

lakhs has been given by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research to the palli siksha Sadan during 1971-72 for Laboratory Buildings, Equipment, Books, Staff Quarters and development of Farm. The recurring expenditure on the Palli Siksha Sadan is met out of the maintenance grant given by the University Grants Commission to the University.

**Demand of all Bengal Teachers' Association, Darjeeling Branch**

**2048. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA :  
SHRI R. P. DAS :**

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the All Bengal Teachers' Association Darjeeling Branch has submitted a six-point charter of demands to the District Inspector of Schools recently ;

(b) the main demands of the teachers ; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to meet their demands ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (PROF. D.P. YADAVA) : (a) to (c). The information is being collected from the State Government and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha as soon as received.

**Seminar on Present Processing of Planning for Cooperative Development held in Poona on October, 1971**

**2049. SHRI P. M. MEHTA :** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a three-day Seminar on the present processing of Planning for Cooperative development at different levels and by different agencies was held in Poona on 23rd October, 1971 ;

(b) if so, the subjects discussed ; and

(c) the action taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHAB P. SHINDE) : (a) A Seminar of "Planning for Cooperative Development" was held by the Vaikunth Lal Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Training at Poona from 24th October, 1971 to 26th October, 1971.

(b) The following subjects were discussed :

(1) Present process of Planning for Cooperative development at different levels.

(2) Need for Cooperatives Plan for their own development.

(3) Levels in the Cooperative structure at which planning could be undertaken.

(4) Prerequisites for effective planning by Cooperative organisations.

(5) Integration of Plans for Cooperative development with Plans of General Economic Development.

(c) Brief report of the proceedings of the Seminar has been circulated. Fuller report is under preparation. Vaikunth Lal Mehta National Institution of Cooperative Training at Poona is requesting National Cooperative Federations to consider appropriate action in the light of the conclusions of the seminar.

**Shortfall in Kharif Production and Buffer Stock to hold Price Line**

**2050. SHRI J.B. PATNAIK :  
SHRI BISHWANATH  
JHUNJHUNWALA :**

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any assessment has been made of the likely shortfall in the Kharif production ;

(b) whether the buffer stocks will be sufficient to hold the price line ; and