High Priority has been given to Sericultural Research during the 5th Five Year Plan. An outlay of Rs. 2.65 crore has been proposed for research programmes during the 5th Five Year Plan as a Central Project of the Board.

There are two field Research Stations of the State Governments of Orissa and Madhya Pradesh which are technically controlled by the Research Station at Ranchi. About Rs. 39,000 has been spent by the above State Governments during IV Five Year Plan for the above field Research Stations.

Arrears of Sales Tax in Delhi

9490. SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI: SHRI P. GANGADEB:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the arrears of sales tax stood at Rs. 8.18 crores in Delhi against Rs. 6 crores in the preceding year, and
- (b) if so, the reasons for the accumulation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN): (a) The arrows of rales tax amounted to Rs. 8.18 crores on 31-3-73 as against Rs 6 03 crores on 31-3-72.

- (b) The increase in the arrears of sales tax demands is attributable to the following reasons:
 - (i) stay has been granted by the Courts in many cases.
 - (ii) Some dealers are untraceable unable to pay.
 - (iii) Some dealers have gone under liquidation.

- (iv) Payment has not been made on account of rectification review applications pending disposal.
- (v) Recoveries have been stayed by appellate revision authorities.
- (vi) The total demand created during the year 1972-73 was higher and amounted to Rs. 440.00 lakhs as against the demand of Rs. 343.40 lakhs during the preceding year.

श्रमरीको कम्पनियों से प्र.ए. पूजी निवेश सम्बन्धी प्रस्ताव

9491. श्री फुलबन्द वर्सा: क्या श्रीबोधिक विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेगे कि:

- (क) क्या ग्रमरीकी कम्पनियों भारत में पूंजी निवेश करने के लिये ग्रत्यधिक उत्सुक हैं ;ग्रीर
- (ख) यदि हो, तो इस बारे में भारत सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

श्रीखोगिक विकास तथा विकास श्रीर श्रीखोगिकी संबी (श्री सी॰ युवह्मच्यस): (क) श्रीर (ख) 1974 की प्रथम तिमाही (जनवरी से मार्च) में सरकार नं 64,56,500 रुपये की श्रमरीकी पूजी की सहस्रायता वाले 8 विदेशी सहयोग के प्रस्तावों पर स्वीकृति प्रदान की है। ये निर्यागान्सुख योजनाश्रों सहित प्राथमिकता वाले क्षेत्रों में है।

वर्तमान में अमरीकी पूजी सहभागिता के 3 विदेशी सहयोग के प्रस्ताव मरकार के विचाराधीन हैं। विद्यमान नीति तथा मार्ग दर्जी सिद्धान्तों के अनुसार इन पर तथा मविष्य में प्राप्त होने वाले प्रस्तावों पर गुणावगुणों के आधार पर विचार किया जायेगा।