

decided that the bread drought zone should consist of (i) areas falling within the rainfall zone of 750 mm and (ii) areas which have shallow soils falling within isohyets 750 mm to 800 mm. The second irrigation commission identified the drought zone on the criteria that the probability of critical rainfall shortage should be 20 per cent or more and that there should be an adverse water balance. They have, however, excluded talukas or equivalent units where 30 per cent of the cropped area is irrigated.

(c) Rs. 18 00 crores to be equally matched by the State Government

(d) The Commission did not visit drought prone areas in Maharashtra

(e) It is not possible to extend the coverage of the programme to new areas due to limited resources.

श्रीमन् की खेती के लिये बीमा योजना

6614. डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडेय

क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या सरकार श्रीमन् की खेती के लिये बीमा योजना लागू करने सम्बन्धी एक प्रस्ताव पर विचार कर रही है, और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो इसे कब से लागू किया जायेगा ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अण्णासाहेब पी० शिन्दे) . (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

Exploratory Tube-well in Haldwani

6615. SHRI B. R. SHUKLA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any exploratory tube-well has been constructed in Haldwani (District, Nainital, U.P.) and in Gora Parao, Bhabar area of U.P.;

(b) if so, why tube-wells are proposed to be constructed in Parganas of Bhinga and Tulsipur District, Bhabar (U.P.) on the ground that they constitute part of Bhabar Terai area and the strata is not stable?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI B. P. MAURYA). (a) and (b). The information is being collected from the State Government, and will be placed on the Table of the House when received.

Portraits of National Leaders in Capsule

6616 SHRI SEZHIYAN Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state

(a) whether portraits of national leaders have been placed in the Times Capsule buried on the Independence Day, 1973:

(b) if so, the names of the leaders whose portraits were selected for this purpose; and

(c) the procedure adopted in selection of the portraits?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HAZAN): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. Portraits of 13 national leaders etched in half-tone on copper plates have been placed in the Times Capsule embedded at the Red Fort on 15th August, 1973. These portraits are based on the portraits in the Central Hall of Parliament. The names are as follows:—

1. Mahatma Gandhi.
2. Dadabhai Naoroji.
3. Lokamanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak.