

STATEMENT

From six new varieties of minor millets, identified during Kharif 1970 and 1971 as a result of trials conducted at several locations:

Crop	Varieties	Mean grain yield/quintal / hectare	No of locations where trials were conducted
Ragi (Meruwa)	IE 28	24 0	13
	EC 4840	22 68	
	PR 202	30 01	
	PR 722	30 39	
	CO 8 (Lcoal)	20 6	
Paspalum (Kodo)	IPS 49	13 3	7
	IPS 92	42 9	
	IPS 158	12 7	
	IPS 600	12 9	
	IPS 606	13 0	
	Niwas-1	14 09	
Setaria (Kutki)	Isc 480	17 1	10
	Isc 703	16 0	
	SR 118	16 5	
	Arjuna	12 6	
Panicum (Sawan)	IPM 307	7 87	5
	IPM 1006	11 07	
	Dundori-1	4 83	

Promotion of Diploma Holders as Assistant Engineers

8446 SHRI S D SOMASUNDARAM

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state

(a) whether about 300 diploma holders were promoted to the post of Assistant Engineers for which minimum qualification prescribed is Degree in Engineering, ignoring many Engineering Graduates with 10 or more years of service as Junior Engineers in the Department who are recruited in the interest of the efficiency of the

Department as replied to USQ. No 1807 on the 23rd November, 1970, and

(b) the reasons for not operating the existing recruitment rules 3(b) read with part IV to redress the grievances of Engineering Graduates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI OM MEHTA) (a) Yes, about 300 non-graduate Junior Engineers have been promoted as Assistant Engineers on the basis of the Common Seniority list of both graduate and non-graduate Junior Engineers

The minimum qualification of a degree in engineering is required only for direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Engineer. For promotion to that grade, no such qualification has been prescribed.

The cadre of Junior Engineer in the C.P.W.D. consists of both graduate and non-graduate engineers and promotions have been made from the common seniority list of these two groups of officers on the basis of merit cum-seniority. There is no question of ignoring the claims of graduate Engineers. Those Graduate Engineers who were within the zone of consideration and were included in the select list by the Departmental Promotion Committee, were also promoted.

(b). Rule 3(b) read with part IV of the Recruitment Rules for Central Engineering Service|Central Electrical Engineering Service, Class II deals with appointment of temporary engineers|temporary Section Officers (now Junior Engineers) as Assistant Engineer in consultation with the Union Public Service Commission. All the senior graduate engineers are permanent section officers (i.e. permanent Junior engineers). To ignore them and to open a channel for only the temporary ones will not be desirable.

Effect of Power shortage in Agricultural Sector of Andhra Pradesh

8447. SHRI Y. ESWARA REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state how far power-shortage has affected agricultural sector in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHAB P. SHINDE): No survey has been made in Andhra Pradesh to assess the effect of power shortage on agriculture sector during 1973-74. In actual practice it is very difficult to isolate the precise effect of power or agricultural production as the level of agricultural production in a particular year depends on a number of factors such as weather, supply

of irrigation water, use of important inputs like fertilizers etc.

Recommendations of Third Pay Commissions in respect of Drawing Teachers of Delhi Schools

8448. SHRI HARI SINGH:

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

(a) whether the Third Pay Commission has not recommended any pay scale for the drawing teachers, Grade III in Delhi who are in the Grade of Rs. 220—430;

(b) whether the representatives of these teachers had submitted memoranda to the Deputy Education Minister on 20th April, 1973, 12th July, 1973 and 26th December, 1973 demanding T.G.T. scales on the principle of equal pay for equal work and the representatives of this Association had also had talks with the Joint Education Adviser on 9th August, 1973; and

(c) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV) (a) The Third Pay Commission has recommended a pay scale of Rs. 425-640 for Headmasters, Primary Schools, who are also in the pay scale of Rs. 220—430. For the other school staff like Physical Education teachers, Art and Craft teachers, and Librarians working in the schools, suitable revised scales, according to the recommendations of the Third Pay Commission, have to be fixed after taking the existing relativities or parities into account. The revision of pay scale of Drawing Teachers Grade III who are in the pay scale of Rs. 220—430 will also be decided upon in the light of recommendations of the Third Pay Commission.

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. The matter is under consideration in consultation with Delhi Administration.