

(घ) पुरस्कार विजेताओं के नान काल की बुवाई से पूर्व घोषित करने के सम्बन्धमें पड़ने से ही आवश्यक कदम उठाये जा चुके हैं।

Drilling of Tube-wells in Orissa

1911. Shri Ulaka: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether experimental tube-wells were drilled in Orissa;

(b) if so, the number of tube-wells drilled during the last three years and/or being drilled at present (District-wise); and

(c) how many of them were found successful?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). No exploratory bores have been drilled in Orissa during the last three years. The number drilled in 1958-59 was 15, out of which 13 proved successful. It is proposed now to undertake the drilling of 24 more exploratory bores as per details below:

1. Mayurbhanj	12 bores
2. Balasore	7 bores
3. Puri	5 bores

TOTAL	<u>24 bores</u>
-------	-----------------

Work was started in Mayurbhanj in March, 1963.

Central Road Fund

1912. Shri Ulaka: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2193 on 30th May, 1962, and state:

(a) whether the Central Government have since received any reply

from the Government of Orissa regarding the programmes of works to be taken up against the sum that has been allocated to the State from the Central Road Fund during the Third Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, whether a copy of the detailed programmes of works will be laid on the Table?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Bhagavati): (a) and (b). The Orissa Government have proposed the following two works for being financed from the sum of Rs. 16 lakhs offered to them from the Central Road Fund (Ordinary) Reserve:

(1) Scheme for testing and control laboratory for Roads & Buildings.	Rs. 9 lakhs
(2) Construction of a bridge over Kushabhadra river on the Konarak Balighat Road near Liakhia.	Rs. 7 lakhs

TOTAL	<u>Rs. 16 lakhs.</u>
-------	----------------------

The approval of these works has been held in abeyance pending a clearance from the Planning Commission about the utilisation of the Central Road Fund for new works in the light of the present emergency. Further, certain additional information relating to the bridge work is also awaited from the State Government.

Production of Rice in Orissa

1913. Shri Ulaka: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the production of rice in Orissa during 1961-62 and 1962-63;

(b) the quantity of rice exported to other States during the aforesaid period; and

(c) the cost thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri