

CROP INSURANCE SCHEME

577. SHRI KAMESHWAR SINGH :
 SHRI YASHPAL SINGH :
 SHRI A. SREEDHARAN :
 SHRI ONKAR LAL BERWA :
 SHRI K. LAKKAPPA :
 SHRI DEO RAO PATIL :
 SHRI JAGANNATH RAO
 JOSHI :
 SHRI HUKAM CHAND
 KACHWAI :
 SHRI NARAIN SWARUP
 SHARMA :
 SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJ-
 PAYEE :

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have finalised the consideration of the crop insurance scheme; and

(b) if so, the nature thereof; and

(c) when it is going to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) and (b). The details of crop insurance scheme are still under consideration of the Government.

(c) The scheme will be implemented as and when the State Governments decide to do so after the Bill on crop insurance is passed by Parliament.

DROUGHT IN THE COUNTRY

578. SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK :
 SHRI NARAIN SWARUP
 SHARMA :
 SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJ-
 PAYEE :
 SHRI RANJIT SINGH :
 SHRI HIMATSINGKA :
 SHRI BIBHUTI MISHRA :
 SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH :
 SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA :
 SHRI C. JANARDHANAN :

- DR. RANEN SEN :
 SHRI J. M. BISWAS :
 SHRI VISHWA NATH PAN-
 DEY :
 SHRI D. C. SHARMA :
 SHRI BENI SHANKER
 SHARMA :
 SHRI A. SREEDHARAN :
 SHRI HEM RAJ :
 SHRI R. K. AMIN :
 SHRI GADILINGANA
 GOWD :
 SHRI V. NARASIMHA
 RAO :
 SHRI SHRI CHAND
 GOYAL :
 SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :
 SHRI D. N. DEB :
 SHRI N. R. LASKAR :
 SHRI B. K. DASCHOW-
 DHURY :
 SHRI PREM CHAND
 VERMA :
 SHRI YAJNA DATT SHAR-
 MA :
 SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPA-
 KAR :
 SHRI HUKAM CHAND
 KACHWAI :
 SHRI SITARAM KESRI :
 SHRI RAM SEWAK YADAV:
 SHRI R. R. SINGH DEO :
 SHRI S. P. RAMAMOORTHY:
 SHRI RAM SWARUP VID-
 YARTHI :
 SHRI K. LAKKAPPA :
 SHRI S. C. SAMANTA :
 SHRI KANWAR LAL
 GUPTA :
 SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN LAL :
 SHRI SHARDA NAND :
 SHRI BANSH NARAIN
 SINGH :

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that drought conditions have been created in various parts of the country for want of rains or due to inadequate rains; and

(b) if so, the details of the areas affected as also the nature of help

given so far by the Central Government to these areas, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is attached.

STATEMENT

AREAS AFFECTED BY DROUGHT

According to information furnished by the State Governments from time to time the following areas have been affected by drought this year :—

1. *Andhra Pradesh*.—All the districts were originally affected but the situation has improved in some parts of the State as a result of good September/October rains.

2. *Bihar*.—Parts of 5 districts are affected.

3. *Gujarat*.—Two districts.

4. *Haryana*.—Four districts.

5. *Mysore*.—Parts of 16 districts were originally affected but September/October rains have improved the position.

6. *Orissa*.—Four districts.

7. *Rajasthan*.—Five districts are seriously affected. Parts of other districts are also affected in varying degrees.

8. *Uttar Pradesh*.—Parts of eight districts are affected in varying degrees.

9. *West Bengal*.—Parts of one district.

CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR DROUGHT RELIEF

Undertaking of relief operations in connection with natural calamities is the concern of the State Governments. When the extent of the relief operations is such as to require the assistance of Central Government, particularly in the form of financial assistance, a report is made to the Central Government. The financial assistance is provided according to the prescribed pattern on the

basis of the recommendations of a Central Team of officials. A statement showing the financial assistance given to the States affected by natural calamities was placed on the Table of the Sabha in reply to Starred Question No. 18 on 11-11-1968.

The allotment of foodgrains to cover the deficits of States is made keeping in view the needs of the States and the availability of foodgrains in the Central pool.

कर्मचारियों सम्बन्धी स्थिति

579. श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश भर में संचार विभाग में इस समय तृतीय तथा चतुर्थ श्रेणी के कितने कर्मचारी काम कर रहे हैं ;

(ख) पिछले छः महीनों में डाक व तार विभाग के कितने कर्मचारियों को बर्खास्त किया गया है और कितने कर्मचारियों की सेवाओं में व्यवधान माना गया है ;

(ग) पिछले तीन महीनों में कितने कर्मचारी भर्ती किये गये ; और

(घ) उपरोक्त अवधि में कितने कर्मचारियों को गिरफ्तार किया गया ?

संसद-कार्य विभाग तथा संचार विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री इ० कु० गुजराल) :

(क) से (घ). अपेक्षित सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायगी ।

मध्य प्रदेश में डाक व तार घरों के लिए इमारतें

580. श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में कितने डाकघर, उप-डाकघर तथा तारघर सरकारी इमारतों के न होने के कारण किराये की इमारतों में काम कर रहे हैं ;

(ख) सरकार इन इमारतों का प्रति वर्ष कितना किराया देती है ; और