

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) There were three (3) terrorist related incidents in Punjab during 1996.

(b) Number of	Killed	Injured
Civilian	1	2
Terrorist	3	Nil
Security Force Personnel	Nil	Nil

(c) Following the setting up of a popular Government in Punjab in Feb., 1992, the Security Forces in the State backed by the Intelligence inputs of the Central Security Agencies had brought terrorism under control and established peace and normalcy in Punjab. This is evident from the fact that only three suspected incidents of terrorist violence were reported in the State in 1996. However, Government is keeping a close watch on the situation and all necessary steps including gearing up of intelligence and sharing of information regarding terrorist activities are being taken.

(d) No, Sir.

[English]

Farming in Dry Land

1551. SHRI B.K. GADHVI :
SHRIMATI BHAVNABEN DEVRAJ BHAI
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Regional Research Station of Central Arid Zone Research Institute situated at Bhuj in Gujarat is experimenting crops to be produced in the dry land;

(b) if so, the date from which this research station is situated there;

(c) the details of expenditure made over administration and other expenses for this Station till date;

(d) the production, in terms of money received from the said Station; and

(e) the results of the experiments conducted at the Station ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The regional research station was established in 1987 in village Kukma near Bhuj in Gujarat.

(c) Till date an expenditure of Rs. 22 lakhs in establishment and Rs. 29.22 lakhs in works (office building, farm house, residential quarters, underground water storage tank) totalling to Rs. 57 lakhs has been incurred.

(d) The farm produce worth of Rs. 98,000 has been sold till date.

(e) The results of the experiment conducted at the station are as under :

1. Identification of suitable grasses : *Lasiurus indicus* strain no. 1952, *Cenchrus ciliaris* strain No. 75 (Marwar anjan), *C. setigerus* strain no. CAZRI-76 (Marwardhaman).
2. Screening of tree species : Among the tree species, Neem is more suitable than subabool or Isreali babool.
3. Identification of fruit crops : Ber cultivar Gola and seb are most suitable.
4. Alternate Land use : In silvi pastoral system *Cenchrus ciliaris* and *C. setigerus* were grown with *Azadirachta indica* and *Acacia tortilis*.

[Translation]

Crimes in Trains

1552. SHRI THAWAR CHAND GEHLOT :
SHRIMATI KETAKI DEVI SINGH :
SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES :
SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY :
SHRI NARAYAN ATHAWALAY :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the incidents of robbery and looting in trains have increased during the last three years;

(b) if so, the number of incidents of robbery and looting in trains reported during the said period and the value of items looted along with the persons killed/injured in these incidents; and

(c) the measures taken/contemplated to check such incidents in future ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) and (b) Available information is given in the Statement. Information relating to value of items looted and persons killed/injured in the incidents is not maintained at the Central level.

(c) Registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime, including the crime on Railways, is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Governments. In the States, a separate organisation known as the Government Railway Police (GRP) usually exists to deal exclusively with crimes committed on trains and at Railway Stations. The Central Government, however, sends advisories and provides financial assistance to the State Governments to strengthen their policing infrastructure.

Statement*Incidence of Dacoity (D), Robbery (R) and Burglary (B) in Trains During 1994 to 1996*

S. No.	State/UT	1994			1995			1996			Remarks (Figs. of 1996 are upto the Month of
		D	R	B	D	R	B	D	R	B	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2	7	0	1	9	0	1	4	0	November
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	Sept.
3.	Assam	0	14	9	7	4	6	6	8	6	June
4.	Bihar	73	68	0	35	32	1	NA	NA	NA	—
5.	Goa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6.	Gujarat	6	15	0	4	13	0	6	7	0	Nov.
7.	Haryana	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	Sept.
8.	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	August
10.	Karnataka	1	32	0	14	25	0	0	20	0	Dec.
11.	Kerala	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Nov.
12.	Madhya Pradesh	2	15	0	5	6	0	1	6	11	Nov.
13.	Maharashtra	18	70	0	17	56	0	12	49	0	
14.	Manipur	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
15.	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
16.	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Feb.
17.	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
18.	Orissa	1	3	0	4	10	1	4	6	0	July
19.	Punjab	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	July
20.	Rajasthan	1	3	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	Oct.
21.	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Nov.
22.	Tamilnadu	1	4	0	2	8	3	2	4	0	Nov.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
23.	Tripura	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
24.	Uttar Pradesh	8	64	0	10	41	4	19	65	0	Nov.
25.	West Bengal	37	58	0	55	82	0	45	38	0	Sept.
Total (States)		158	355	9	154	292	15	97	212	27	
26.	A&N Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Nov.
27.	Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
28.	D & N Haveli	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
29.	Daman & Diu	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA	NA	NA	
30.	Delhi	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	
31.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Oct.
32.	Pondicherry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total (UTs)		0	2	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	
Total (All-India)		158	357	9	154	292	15	101	213	27	

[English]

Development of Dry Land

1553. SHRI SHANTILAL PARSOTAMDAS PATEL : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the programme of dry land development for the growing crops in various States has been taken up by the Central Zone Arid Research Institute :

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the objectives achieved so far under the programme;

(d) whether the Institute proposes to hand over its regional research station situated at Bhuj in Gujarat to the State Government; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) No, Sir. However, the Central Arid Zone Research Institute has a specific mandate to address the research issues on Dryland Development for the Arid Eco-systems of the States of Rajasthan and Gujarat.

(b) and (c) The Institute has developed technologies for

- (i) Sand dune stabilisation;
- (ii) Identification and management of tree and grass species *Acacia tortilis*, *Prosopis* sp, *Acacia senegal*, *Acacia nilotica* sub-species *cupressiformis* and suitable grasses such as *Lasiurus sindicus*, *Cenchrus ciliaris*, *Citrullus colosynthes*;
- (iii) Water harvesting, conservation and utilisation;
- (iv) Identification of suitable crops and their varieties (cluster bean—maru guar, moth bean and horse gram—maru kulthi-1, pearl millet, CZ-IC-923);
- (v) Identification and Improvement of Horticulture crops e.g. (improved varieties of ber-gola, seb and mundia, pomegranate-jalor-seedless, aonla-kanchan and krishna);
- (vi) Improvement of suitable grasses *Cenchrus ciliaris*-CAZRI 75-Marwar dhaman, *Cenchrus setigerus*-CAZRI 76-Marwar anjan, *Lasiurus sindicus* CAZRI 30-5 for silvi-pasture;
- (vii) Development of alternative land use systems (agro-horticulture, horti-pastoral, silvi-pastoral);