

(c) The State-wise target of cotton production for 1996-97 is given below :

S.No.	State	Production Target (Lakh bales on 170 kg. each)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	17.50
2.	Gujarat	22.50
3.	Haryana	16.00
4.	Karnataka	10.50
5.	Madhya Pradesh	5.00
6.	Maharashtra	25.00
7.	Orissa	0.20
8.	Punjab	22.50
9.	Rajasthan	13.00
10.	Tamil Nadu	7.00
11.	U.P.	0.40
12.	Others	0.40
All India		140.00

(d) and (e). No new scheme has been formulated to promote production of coloured cotton. Indian Council of Agricultural Research has recently launched a network programme of research for Development of naturally Coloured cotton.

[English]

Amendment in IPC and Cr. P.C.

2150. SHRI SARAT PATTANAYAK : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering to amend Cr. P.C. and I.P.C.:

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time which they would be amended?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (c). The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 1994, which proposes to amend various provisions of Cr. P.C. and IPC was introduced in the Rajya Sabha on 9th May, 1994. The Bill was subsequently referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs which considered the Bill and submitted its report.

Cotton Prices

2151. SHRI RAMASHRAYA PRASAD SINGH :
SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received representations from farmers of the North India for announcement of procurement prices of cotton in April in place of November every year;

(b) if so, the reasons put forward by the farmers in this regard; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) to (c). No representation has been received by the Agriculture Ministry from the farmers of North India for announcement of procurement prices of cotton in April in place of November every year. However, the Government tries to announce the minimum support price of cotton well in time before the start of the sowing season.

[Translation]

Milch Cattle

2152. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA :
SHRI NITISH KUMAR :

Will the Minister of ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have ascertained the number of milch cattle;

(b) if so, the number thereof. State-wise;

(c) the average yield of a milch cattle;

(d) whether the production of milk per animal is less in the country as compared to the average milk production per animal in the world;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The information is given at Statement - I enclosed.

(c) to (e). The information is given at in Statement - II. The productivity of milch cattle in India is less than that of the average of the world.

(f) All efforts are being made to increase the productivity by implementing various Centrally Sponsored/Central Sector Schemes and adopting new technologies.

STATEMENT - I

Number of Milch Cattle

(As per 1987 Livestock Census)

S.No.	States/UTs	(in thousand number)
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2738
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	76

1	2	3
3.	Assam	1969
4.	Bihar	4718
5.	Goa	29
6.	Gujarat	1673
7.	Haryana	603
8.	Himachal Pradesh	622
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	850
10.	Karnataka	3246
11.	Kerala	1547
12.	Madhya Pradesh	8548
13.	Maharashtra	5164
14.	Manipur	153
15.	Meghalaya	147
16.	Mizoram	17
17.	Nagaland	58
18.	Orissa	3889
19.	Punjab	1002
20.	Rajasthan	4001
21.	Sikkim	47
22.	Tamil Nadu	2810
23.	Tripura	247
24.	Uttar Pradesh	6159
25.	West Bengal	5690
26.	A and N Islands	14
27.	Chandigarh	3
28.	Dadra and N. Haveli	12
29.	Delhi	21
30.	Lakshadweep	...
31.	Pondicherry	34
Total		56087

STATEMENT - II*Productivity of Milk - 1993*

S No.	Country	Milk yield Cattle per year (Kgs per animal)
1	2	3
1.	India	987
2.	Canada	5938
3.	Mexico	1182
4.	U.S.A.	7038
5.	Brazil	784
6.	Bangla Desh	206
7.	Pakistan	893

1	2	3
8.	China	1541
9.	France	5289
10.	Germany	5237
11.	U.K.	5462
12.	Russian Fed.	2294
13.	Turkey	1476
14.	Australia	4451
15.	New Zealand	2986
World		2038

Source : FAO Year Book - Production (Vol. 48), 1994.

Rail Projects2153. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA :
SHRI NITISH KUMAR :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Railway projects relating to construction work were commissioned during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) whether most of the projects are running behind their targeted time and their cost have overrun;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor indicating the names of those projects; and

(d) the number of projects to be undertaken this year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise

(d) 8 new projects are proposed to be undertaken this year.

Fertilizers to Farmers

2154. SHRI AMAR PAL SINGH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a great resentment among the farmers in several States for not getting fertilizers in time and the resultant adverse affect on the agricultural production.

(b) if so, the names of States from where reports have been received by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the details of action taken by the Government to provide the fertilizers to the farmers timely?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) and (b). At present, urea is the only fertilizer which is under