

[Translation]

National Yachting Centre in Jaipur

1698. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the reaction of the International Yachting Federation and other foreign teams about the suitability of Ramgarh Jheel near Jaipur after holding of yachting competition there during Asiad 82;

(b) whether the Government had decided in principle to set up a National Yachting centre at the Ramgarh Jheel near Jaipur;

(c) if so, the reasons for which the decision is yet to be implemented;

(d) whether the Sports Authority of India has taken possession of the proposed site;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the time by which the Government propose to set up this National Yachting Centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) The yachting competitions during Asiad, 1982 were not held at Ramgarh Jheel near Jaipur. Only rowing events were held there.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) to (f) Do not arise.

Committee to check prices of Books

1699. SHRI GIRIDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether to check the prices of books, Government propose to set

up a Committee to find out whether prices of books are cost-based or not;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to make provision for imposing penalty on such publishers who fix the price of a book many times more than its cost; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

[English]

Social forestry in Andhra Pradesh

1700. SHRI BANDARE DATTA-TRAYA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Social Forestry Programme is being implemented in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, since when;

(c) whether any special grants-in-aid have been given to the voluntary agencies of the State for the purpose during the last three years;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the names of such voluntary agencies;

(e) whether the Government have undertaken any study during the above period in regard to the works done by these voluntary agencies;

(f) if so, when and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b) The Social Forestry Programme has been under implementation in Andhra Pradesh since 1980-81.

(c) and (d) Financial assistance to voluntary agencies to take up affore-

station and wastelands development activities is provided under the Grants-in-Aid scheme of the National Wastelands Development Board. The details of the financial assistance provided under the scheme to the voluntary agencies in Andhra Pradesh during the period 1988-89 to 1990-91 is given in attached Statement.

(e) and (f) Before a project is sanctioned under the Grants-in-Aid

scheme, it is examined generally in consultation with the State Forest Department. The second instalment of financial assistance is normally sanctioned after an appraisal and on completion the project is got evaluated. Of the projects sanctioned to the voluntary agencies in Andhra Pradesh, seven projects have been studied so far. The studies show that the projects have been implemented satisfactorily, on the whole.

STATEMENT

Financial Assistance provided to Voluntary Agencies in Andhra Pradesh during the period 1988-89 to 1990-91

<i>Sr. No.</i>	<i>Particulars of Agency</i>	<i>Amount Released (Rs. in lakhs)</i>
1.	Assist (India), Guntur	0.15
2.	C.R.O.S.S., Hyderabad	17.53
3.	Gopavram Jt. Farming Society, Cuddapah	0.12
4.	Help Needy Association, Cuddapah	1.63
5.	Institute of Resource Development & S. Hyd.	2.54
6.	JAGRITI, Nellore	2.40
7.	National Educational Social & Cultural, Anantpur	0.80
8.	P.R.O.G.R.E.S.S., Hyderabad	4.00
9.	Rayalaseema Sewa Samiti, Tirupati	2.51
10.	Rural Development Society, Kurnool	9.01
11.	Rural Education Society, Chittoor	21.38
12.	Rural Irgn. for Awareness & Development, Medak	0.17
13.	Sarada Valley Devpt. Samiti, Vishakapatnam	0.83
14.	Society for Devpt. of Drought Prone, Anantpur	2.20
15.	Society for Social & Rural Devpt., Cuddapah	6.00
16.	Weaker Section Education Society, Hyderabad	2.90
17.	Yatra, Nalgonda	2.94
18.	Youth for Action, Hyderabad	3.00
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