Import of Chikory Seeds from Brazil

4985. DR. K.D. JESWANI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Chikory Seeds were imported from Brazil last year;

(b) if so, the quantity of such seeds imported;

(c) whether the Government propose to import the same during the current year also; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). Government imported 60 quintals of Rexor variety of Chikory Seed from Holland through National Seeds Corporation, during 1990-91.

(c) and (d). Government propose to import approximately 3200 kgs. of Rexor variety from Holland and 225 kgs. of Orchies variety from France, during 1991-92, through National Seeds Corporation Limited.

Dhansiri and Champawati Irrigation Projects in Assam

4986. SHRI PROBIN DEKA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the present position of the Dhansiri and Champawati Irrigation Projects in Assam;

(b) the amount earmarked for those Projects during 1991-92; and

(c) the time by which those are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RE-SOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) The Dhansiri Irrigation Project was approved by the Planning Commission in June, 1975 at an estimated cost of Rs. 15.83 crores. The latest estimated cost of the project is assessed to be about Rs. 92 crores. An expenditure of Rs. 66 crores has been incurred upto end of VII Plan and the anticipated expenditure during 1990-91 is Rs. 8 crores. No irrigation benefit is made available from the project.

The Champavati Irrigation Project was approved by the Planning Commission in July, 1980 at an estimated cost of Rs. 15.32 crores. The latest estimated cost of the project is assessed to be about Rs. 47.5 crores. An expenditure of Rs. 17.47 crores has been incurred upto and of VII Plan and the anticipated expenditure during 1990-91 is Rs. 3 crores. No Irrigation benefit is made available from the project.

(b) The Working Group of the Planning Commission has recommended Rs. 12.80 crores for Dhansiri and Rs. 11.00 crores for Champamati irrigation Projects during the year 1991-92.

(c) Both the projects care scheduled for completion during VIII Plan.

[Translation]

Smuggling of Cows from Jammu

4987. SHRI ARVIND TRIVEDI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of smuggling of cows from Jammu to neighbouring countries; and

(b) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS-TRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) No case of smuggling of cows from Jammu to the neighbouring country through the International border has come to the notice of the government.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

S.T.D. Facility to Telephone Exchanges In Chittoor District of Andhra Pradesh

4988. SHRI M. GNANENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any time bound programme has been drawn up to provide S.T.D. facility in various telephone exchanges of Chittoor District in Andhra Pradesh during 1991-92; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MIN-ISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is planned to provide STD at Chandragiri during 1991-92.

[Translation]

Direct Telephone Service from Lokaha Bazar and Basapattl under Madhubanl District of Bihar

4989. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the time by which the direct telephone service from Lokaha Bazar and Basapatti under Madhubani district of Bihar is proposed to be started;

(b) whether the P.C.O. telephone service from Barwana in Darbhanga district of Bihar has been started and if not, the reasons therefore; and

(c) when the P.C.O. telephone service is proposed to be started from Khirhar Bazar (Omgaon Division) under Madhubani district of Bihar?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Direct Telephone Service is planned to be provided during 1992-93.

(b) According to available information there is no Barwana village in Darbhanga Distt. One Barwana village exists in Sitamarhi Distt. No P.C.O. Telephone service has been started from this village so far.

According to Departmental Policy Panchayat villages are planned to be provided with telephone facility during 1991-95 and the remaining villages during 1995-2000.

(c) P.C.O. Telephone service from Khirhar Bazar has already been started.

[English]

Activities of Inspectors of Crime Against Women CELL

4990. SHRI KARIA MUNDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that life of large number of girls and women are being spoiled by Inspectors of Crime Against Women Cell of East District, Delhi Police and a number of women have been sent to brothels in J & K and even girls are being turned stage dancers; and