

SHRI M.M. JACOB: At present, there is no proposal to bring them at par with the Defence forces.

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SHRI HARINATHAK: Mr. Speaker, sir during the last three years, 519 Jawans of the Para Military forces have laid down their lives. I would not like to say that they have been killed. Some of the culprits who attacked them have been apprehended. I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether the Government is considering to constitute a special court for speedy trials of those apprehended in order to boost the morale of our forces? Due to delay on this account, they are often acquitted without getting any punishment.

[English]

SHRI M.M. JACOB: As per the existing law, the people are being tried.

2 41-44
Cattle Development Project

*697. SHRI B. RAJARAVIVARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank have cleared the cattle Development Project with the primary objective of establishing a sustainable livestock production system in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the places in Tamil Nadu identified for the implementation of this Project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (c). A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

(a) The World Bank has cleared an Agricultural Development Project for Tamil Nadu, with Livestock Development as a component.

(b) A comprehensive Agricultural Development Project is being implemented in Tamil Nadu with World Bank Assistance. The total cost of the seven year project is of the order of Rs. 309 crores, of which the World Bank assistance would be US \$ 112.8 million. The project includes a component on livestock development under which the following programmes are envisaged.

- (a) Strengthening of selected State livestock farms for production of improved breeding bulls.
- (b) Establishment of frozen semen centres.
- (c) Extension of frozen semen facility to artificial insemination centres.
- (d) Strengthening of extension activities.
- (e) Strengthening of integrated fodder production system.
- (f) Strengthening of veterinary diagnostic laboratories and epidemiological units.

The allocation for livestock development component of the project is of the order of Rs.33.90 crores, excluding contingencies.

(c) The Livestock Development component of the project will be implemented throughout the State.

SHRI B. RAJARAVIVARMA: Though I am satisfied with the answer of the hon. Minister, I want to ask two Supplementary Questions. I would like to know whether the live-stock Development Project is proposed to be set up in my Constituency, Pollachi. If so, what are the Programme that are to be implemented in the Centre out of the six Programmes given in the reply.

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): This Project is only for Tamil Nadu. Rajasthan and Karnataka are in the queue and I think, by Novem-

ber end, we shall be able to finalise that type of Project there too.

SHRI B. RAJARAVIVARMA: Apart from breeding bulls, does the Government expand the programme to include sheep breeding and poultry? What would be to the quantum of employment potential that may be generated under this Programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): This is a comprehensive Project implemented by the Tamil Nadu Government throughout the State. This Livestock Development Project is a part of that comprehensive Scheme and the Livestock Development Scheme includes the over-all development of the cattle and of all livestock. So, there is no separate Programme in this Scheme for poultry development and for sheep development and the question of allotting separately of programmes in this Project does not arise.

43 **DR. ASIM BALA:** What are the other on-going Projects in respect of cattle development including government of West Bengal?

SHRI K.C. LENKA: At present, there is no Project implemented by West Bengal Government financed by World Bank for development of the cattle. But there are three Projects in the country as a whole concerning the development of cattle which are assisted by Swiss Government and the

Danish Government in the States of Orissa, Kerala and Tamil Nadu. At present, there is no proposal for development of cattle in West Bengal.

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SC/ST Employees In National Seeds Corporation, New Delhi

*699. **SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS:** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employees in the National Seeds Corporation, New Delhi in various categories as on April 1, 1989 and on July 31, 1991 and the number of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes amongst them;

(b) the total backlog of reserved post for SC and ST as on April 1, 1989 and on July 31, 1991;

(c) the steps taken to fill up these backlog posts;

(d) whether these posts were dereserved during this period and filled by general candidates; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMA CHANDRAN): (a) to (e). A Statement is laid on the table of the Sabha.