

(a) whether due to non-availability of adequate number of wagons at the Solapur Station of Central Railway a large quantity of fruits and animal skins were perished during the last two years;

(b) if so, the number of wagons made available there at the peak season as compared to normal season during the last two years; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to allot sufficient number of wagons at the station especially at peak season in near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Supply of Printing Papers for Text Books

1010. SHRI G.M.C. BALAYOGI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are supplying any paper for printing of text-books to the States on subsidised rates regularly; and

(b) if so, the quantum of paper released by Government to various State Governments during the last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Till 31st March, 1990, there was a scheme for subsidised supply of white printing paper for the production of school text books and exercise books. The scheme was discontinued thereafter.

(b) The following quantity of white printing paper was allotted to the States/UTs during the last three years:-

1989-90	:	A statement is attached.
1990-91	:	Nil
1991-92	:	Nil

STATEMENT

S. No.	States/UTs	Quantity of paper allotted during 1989-90 (in MTs.)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	5,278
2.	Assam	2,720
3.	Bihar	5,312
4.	Gujarat	4,208
5.	Haryana	1,496
6.	Himachal Pradesh	1,140
7.	J & K	624

S. No.	States/UTs	Quantity of paper allotted during 1989-90 (in MTs.)
8.	Karnataka	5,480
9.	Kerala	4,392
10.	Madhya Pradesh	5,496
11.	Maharashtra	8,835
12.	Manipur	208
13.	Meghalaya	204
14.	Nagaland	140
15.	Orissa	2,148
16.	Punjab	1,980
17.	Rajasthan	3,256
18.	Sikkim	48
19.	Tamil Nadu	6,768
20.	Tripura	308
21.	Uttar Pradesh	10,364
22.	West Bengal	7,780
23.	A & N Islands	39
24.	Assamchal Pradesh	56
25.	Chandigarh	44
26.	D & N Haveli	20
27.	Delhi	1,176
28.	Goa Daman & Diu	272
29.	Lakshadweep	20

S. No.	States/UTs	Quantity of paper allotted during 1989-90 (in MTs.)
30.	Mizoram	88
31.	Pondicherry	100
Total		80,000

[Translation]

ICMR Research on Bhopal Gas Tragedy

1011. SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK:
SHRI BARE LAL JATAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has conducted any research on Bhopal gas tragedy;

(b) if so, whether it has been found that the symptoms of the intake of poisonous gas have started appearing on the victims of Bhopal gas tragedy who have shown no such symptoms during the last seven years;

(c) if so, remedial steps being taken by the Government to contain the problem and details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Community based study carried out by ICMR has revealed that some exposed people, who were asymptomatic during 1985 have since developed symptoms at-

tributable to exposure to toxic gas.

(c) and (d). A systematic approach to Bhopal studies has been established through the Bhopal Gas Disaster Research Centre.

Social Forestry

1012. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV:
SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH
YADAV:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State-wise target for social forestry scheme during the Seventh Plan has been achieved;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (c). The State-wise targets and achievements of afforestation and tree planting activities under the 20 - Point Programme, including social forestry, during the Seventh Five Year Plan period (1985-90) are given in the Statement attached. On an overall basis, against the target of 8.6 million hectares for the five-year period, the total achievement was 8.8 million hectares.