GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3792 ANSWERED ON:19.12.2005 PESTICIDES BANNED IN COUNTRY Mediyam Dr. Babu Rao

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Stockholm Convention proposed to include Lindane in the list of banned chemicals;
- (b) if so, the reason for which the Lindane is allowed to use in our country as a pesticide; and
- (c) the other pesticides that were banned in our country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

- (a): Yes, Sir. Lindane is proposed to be included in the list of Persistently Organic Pollutants under the Stockholm Convention.
- (b): Lindane has been granted deemed to be registered status since it has been in use in the country even before enactment of the Insecticides Act, 1968. The Registration Committee, constituted under section 5 of the said Act, constituted an Expert Group to review the manufacture & use of Lindane in view of the ban on the manufacture and use of Benzene Hexachloride. The Government, after considering the recommendations of the said Expert Group and after consultation with the Registration Committee decided to issue a draft order on 25.10.2005 inviting suggestions or objections, if any, from all concerned within a period of 45 days to the proposal to restrict the use of Lindane (gamma B.H.C.) for termite control in buildings, termite control in sugarcane in agriculture and for exports.
- (c): The list of pesticide/pesticides formulations banned in India is at Annexure-I

ANNEXURE-I

LIST OF PESTICIDE/PESTICIDES FORMULATIONS BANNED IN INDIA

- A. Pesticides Banned for manufacture, Import and use (25 Nos.) 1. Aldrin 2. Benzene Hexachloride
- 3. Calcium Cyanide
- 4. Chlordane
- 5. Copper Acetoarsenite
- 6. CIbromochloropropane
- 7. Endrin
- 8. Ethyl Mercury Chloride 9. Ethyl Parathion
- 10. Heptachlor
- 11. Menazone
- 12. Nitrofen
- 13. Paraquat Dimethyl Sulphate
- 14. Pentacloro Nitrobenzene
- 15. Pentachlorophenol
- 16. Phenyl Mercury Acetate
- 17. Sodium Methane Arsonate
- 18. Tetradifon
- 19. Toxafen
- 20. Aldicarb
- 21. Chlorobenzilate
- 22. Dieldrine
- 23. Maleic Hydrazide
- 24. Ethylene Dibromide
- 25. TCA (Trichloro acetic acid)
- B. Pesticide/Pesticide formulations banned for use but their manufacture is allowed for export (2 Nos.)
- 26. Nlcotin Sulfate
- 27. Captafol 80% Powder
- C. Pesticide formulations banned for import, manufacture and use (4 Nos.)
- 1 Methomvl 24% L
- 2 Methomyl 12.5% L
- 3 Phosphamidon 85% SL