

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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INDO- UNDP PROGRAMME FOR FOOD SECURITY

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) have signed any agreement regarding funding of programmes of food security;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of assistance so far provided by UNDP and developmental programmes undertaken therefrom, State-wise; and

(d) the number of persons benefited by each of such programmes in various States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a)&(b): UNDP-GOI Food Security Programme was signed on 13th February, 1998 with the objective of intensification of agriculture, diversification of farming system, transfer of technology with a focus on rainfed and marginal land, undertaking innovative community initiatives and mainstreaming gender concerns in agriculture. The Umbrella Programme has been successfully concluded on 31.12.2005. An expenditure of Rs.46.45 crores has been incurred on the programme which was funded by UNDP.

(c)&(d): The details regarding assistance provided by UNDP and activities undertaken and persons benefited under various programmes state-wise are given in Annexure.

Annexure

UNDP-GOI FOOD SECURITY PROGRAMME

S.No.	Name of the Sub Project	Name of Total Amount of Present Status Programme and Dura- Funding cost of Foreign State in tion Agency/ the Assistance which located Donor Project (Rs.in country (Rs.in crores) released
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(i)	Sustainable Dryland Agriculture to by Mahila Sanghams, Andhra Pradesh	3.11.99 UNDP 10.42 9.238 # Programme concluded on 31.12.04. # Was operational in 5 districts of the State # 700 Farm Women Groups formed # 7,500 FW trained # A sum of Rs.9.24 crores released under the project upto Dec. 2004. # Remaining sub-programme fund re-appropriated to be used in Orissa/UP sub-programme.
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(ii)	Empowerment of Women Farmers for Food Security in Uttar Pradesh	3.11.99 UNDP 10.04 11.841 # Programme concluded on 31.12.04 # Was Operational in 11 districts of the State # 582 Farm Women Groups formed # 14,550 FW trained # Rs.11.84 crores released
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under the project upto Dec.
2004 including an additional
package of Rs.179.84
lakhs sanctioned to provide
infrastructure support and
federation of FWGs at
block/cluster level.

(iii) Strengthening 3.11.99 UNDP Rs.9.55 11.01 # Programme concluded
Natural Resource to crores Crore on 31.12.04
Management on 31.12.04 (Revised # Was operational in
Sustainable Live- to 7 districts of the State
elihood for Women Rs.11.01 # 700 Farm Women Groups
in tribal Orissa crores) formed
17,500 FW trained
A sum of Rs.11.01 crores
released under the project
upto Dec. 2004 including an
additional package of
Rs.1.46 crores sanctioned
to provide NRM support and
federation of FWGs.
Rs. 11.30 Lakhs released
further during 2005-06for
completing NRM activities &
federation of FWGs from
the Management Support
subprogramme

(iv) Additional 16.3.2000 UNDP 1.495 1.495 # Programme concluded
support to super to on 31.12.04
cyclone affected 31.12.04 # Was operational in
districts in 4 districts of the State
Orissa # 224 Farm Women Groups
formed
5600 FW provided
infrastructure support.
A sum of Rs.1.495 crores
released under the project
upto Dec. 2004

(v) Development of 1.1.99 UNDP 6.85 6.32 # Completed in December, 2002
Hybrid Rice to
Technology for 31.12.2002
large scale
adoption in
India (All
States)

(vi) Maize Based 1.5.99 UNDP 6.42 6.441 # Programme concluded
Cropping System to on 31.03.05.
for Food 31.12.04 # Farmers groups/associations
Security in formed in all the project
India - 3 States areas.
(U.P, Bihar and Rajasthan) # Inter-cropping of oilseeds,
pulses, vegetables and flowers
with maize promoted under the
project.
Rabi-maize popularized in
Behraich and Deoria and spring
maize in all the project areas.
Rs.6.441 crores released
under the project upto March,
2005.

(vii) Management Oct. 2000 UNDP Rs.0.339 Rs.0.701 # Programme concluded
Support for to Crore Crore on 31.12.05
Food Security 31.12.05 # A sum of Rs.0.701 crores
(DOE, MOA) has been utilized under the
project up to 31.12.2005
including release of Rs.36.76
to GOAP for setting up of
Gender Cell

TOTAL: 45.12 An expenditure of Rs.46.45 crores incurred against the project cost of Rs.45.12 crore (after taking into account the refunded amount of Rs 0..599 crore of Hybrid Rice Programme) (Rs. 47.049 crore-Rs.0.599 crore= Rs.46.45 crore) The additional amount has come from Dollar: Rupee conversion rate which with the consent of UNDP & DEA, MOF has been pumped into the project cost.