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	Rajasthan Water Resources Consolidation Project.	Rajasthan	US\$ 292.15 M	The Project is at the appraisal stage.
	Water Research Innovation and Training Project (WRITP)	Central Sector	US\$ 55 M	JICA (Government of Japan) has agreed to provide project preparation grant of US\$ 4,05,000. Project preparation is yet to commence.
•	Gujarat Water Resources Consolidation Project	Gujarat	US\$ 150.0 M	The project has been posed to World Bank in May, 1998.

(e) The date of completion of the projects under consideration of the World Bank will only be known after the agreements are signed.

## Production of Sugarcane

4128. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the major sugarcane growing States;
- (b) the total area under sugarcane cultivation;
- (c) whether the facilities are likely to be provided to encourage the sugarcane producers for the timely crushing of sugarcane as well as setting up of sugar mills in these areas; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) and (b) A statement giving sugarcane area in major producing States during 1997-98 is enclosed.

(c) and (d) The guidelines for licensing of new and expansion of existing sugar factories take into account minimum crushing capacity per day, adoption of modern technology by the mills, minimum distance to be maintained between proposed and existing sugarcane mills, availability of cane and/or potential of development

of sugarcane in the area, preference to the growers cooperative societies etc. These measures would encourage the sugarcane producers and also ensure timely crushing of sugarcane.

## Statement

State Wise Estimates of Area of Sugarcane, 1997-98

State	Area (Thousand Hectares)
Andhra Pradesh	192.0
Bihar	170.0
Gujarat	155.0
Haryana	140.0
Karnataka	241.0
Maharashtra	460.0
Punjab	132.0
Tamilnadu	293.0
Uttar Pradesh	1956.0
Others	178.0
All India :	3917.0