

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL) : (a) and (b) Yes Sir. As per assessment made by Central Water Commission, the average annual flow available in rivers is around 1869 billion cubic metres. Owing to the topographic, hydrological and other constraints, the utilisable surface water has been assessed at 690 billion cubic metres in addition to the annual replenishable ground water resources which is about 432 billion cubic metres. As per 1994 data about 606 billion cubic metres of surface and ground water is being utilised leaving 516 billion cubic metres of utilisable water as unutilised.

(c) to (f) A National Commission for Integrated Water Resources Development Plan has been set up by the Government of India on 13th September, 1996. Its terms of reference are as under:

- (i) To prepare an Integrated Water Plan for development of water resources for Drinking, Irrigation, Industrial, Flood Control and other uses;
- (ii) To suggest modalities for transfer of surplus water to water-deficit basin by inter-linking of rivers for achieving the above objectives;
- (iii) To identify important on-going Projects as well as New Projects which should be completed on priority basis together with phasing;
- (iv) Identify a technological and inter disciplinary research plan for the water sector with a view to maximise the benefits;
- (v) To suggest physical and financial resources generation strategies for the water sector; and
- (vi) Any other related issue.

#### **Development of Animal Husbandry**

1206. SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV:  
SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a great potential for the development of animal husbandry and dairy in several States particularly in Bihar and Maharashtra;

(b) if so, whether the Government have formulated any time-bound programme to develop the animal husbandry and dairy in the country especially in Bihar and Maharashtra to attain the self-reliance;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government propose to set up any research centre for this purpose in the country particularly in Bihar;

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the target fixed for dairy development in each state during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Animal Husbandry is a State subject. For supplementing the efforts of the State Government to develop animal husbandry and dairy, Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying has been implementing various animal husbandry schemes. The major schemes are given below:

1. Extension Frozen Semen Technology and Progeny Testing Programme.
2. National Bull Production Programme.
3. National Ram/Buck/Rabbit Production Programme.
4. Assistance to States for Integrated Piggery Development.
5. Assistance to State Fodder Farms.
6. Assistance to State for control of Livestock Diseases.
7. National Project on Rinderpest Eradication Programme.
8. Integrated Dairy Development Project in Non Operation Flood, Hilly and Backward Areas.

Besides, the department also operates livestock farms (cattle, sheep, poultry, fodder etc.) to distribute quality germ plasm to the states.

(d) and (e) No Sir. ICAR has set up 15 research centres in the country which are taking care of the research needs in the animal husbandry sector.

(f) The target under dairy development are fixed by the State Governments.

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#### **Hydel Power Projects**

1207. SHRI PRABHASH CHANDRA TIWARI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to set up some small hydel power projects in the country;

(b) If so, the details thereof, state-wise;

(c) the locations identified for this purpose, state-wise and

(d) the details of resources and technology to be mobilised for these projects?