

developing countries, resisting protectionism in international trade and strengthening the multilateral trading system. They also pledged to advance the multilateral dialogue between the developed and developing countries.

#### **Deputation to Punjab Co-operative Institutions**

8048. BABA SUCHA SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the officers of the Cooperative department on deputation with Cooperative Institutions in Punjab:

(b) the reasons for deputing these officers:

(c) whether Government propose to withdraw these officers and allow the cooperative to run their own institutions: and

(d) if so, the time by which it would be done?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA):

(a) Fifty-three officers of the Co-operative Department—31 Assistant Registrars, 13 Deputy Registrars, 5 Joint Registrars and 4 Additional Registrars—are on deputation with the various co-operative institutions in Punjab.

(b) The officers have been deputed to provide managerial and professional support to the cooperative institutions and to safeguard the financial interests of the Government in these institutions.

(c) and (d). At present, there is no proposal before the State Government to withdraw these officers.

[*Translation*]

#### **Resignation of Veterinary Scientists**

8049. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some veterinary scientists working in various veterinary institutes have resigned from their posts in the last few months; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA):

(a) and (b). Sir, only one Veterinary Scientist has resigned in the last few months. He was working at the National Bureau of Animal Genetic Resources/National Institute of Animal Genetics and he resigned in the month of March, 1990 on personal grounds.

[*English*]

#### **Lifting of Ban on Calcium Ammonium Nitrate**

8050. SHRI PRAKASH KOKO BRAHMBHATT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representations to lift the ban on use of Calcium Ammonium Nitrate;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the main reasons put forward for lifting the ban; and

(c) the time by which the final decision will be taken in the matter?