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Implementation of Programme in Maharashtra Under CAPART

10359. SHRI VASANT SATHE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Council for Advancement of People Action and Rural Technology had been set up to assist the programmes in rural area;

(b) if so, the number of programmes under the Council implemented in Maharashtra during the last three years;

(c) the outlay for 1990-91;

(d) whether the programme is being restructured; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) The Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) has been set up in 1986 to encourage, promote and assist voluntary action in the implementation of projects for the enhancement of rural prosperity and to strengthen and promote voluntary efforts in rural development.

(b) CAPART has sanctioned 250 proj-

ects in Maharashtra during the last three years.

(c) No State-wise outlays are earmarked in advance by CAPART. However, an aggregate outlay of Rs. 28.75 crores has been proposed in the budget estimates for 1990-91 to be provided to voluntary agencies through CAPART. Besides an outlay of Rs. 1.25 crores is likely to be received during 1990-91 by CAPART as foreign donations.

(d) and (e). The programmes being implemented by CAPART are restructured, wherever considered necessary, on the basis of the periodical monitoring and evaluation.

Development of Agriculture in Rajasthan

10360. SHRIMARI VASUNDHARA RAJE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rajasthan is one of the backward States in agriculture;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to adopt any new strategy for the development of agriculture during Eighth Plan, particularly in Rajasthan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR):

(a) and (b). A statement indicating productivity of foodgrains oilseeds and cotton in Rajasthan and other States as also all India average is attached. While the productivity of foodgrains in Rajasthan is lower than the all-India average, in the case of oilseeds and cotton crops, the productivity is higher than the all-India average.

(c) and (d). The strategy for development of Agriculture in the country, including Rajasthan, during the Eighth Plan would, inter alia, include:

- i) Optimisation of areas suited for intensive agriculture;
- ii) improvement in rainfall forecasting;
- iii) emphasis on research in emerging

areas like biotechnology, genetic engineering photosynthesis, tissue culture, bio-insecticides and pheromones and its application for aiding the growth of agriculture productivity;

- iv) Accelerate research on dryland farming and the transfer of new technology from lab to land, to channelise more credit, and the development of marketing facilities in dryland areas;
- v) the introduction of modern management techniques in relation to irrigation, agriculture extension services reform and revitalisation of the cooperative movement;
- vi) increased use of fertilisers and new high yielding varieties of seed and expansion of irrigation facilities.

STATEMENT

Sl. No.	State	Kg./ha.				
		Foodgrains	Oilseeds	Cotton		
1	2	3	4	5		
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1621	791		146	
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1083				
3.	Assam	1028	479			
4.	Bihar	1225	565			
5.	Gujarat	1132	1481		229	
6.	Haryana	2260	1249		332	
7.	Himachal Pradesh	1299				
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	1492	443			
9.	Karnataka	935	646		238	

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1	2	3	4	5
10.	Kerala	1697	322	
11.	Madhya Pradesh	886	725	105
12.	Maharashtra	768	626	89
13.	Orissa	1018	828	
14.	Punjab	3152	935	475
15.	Rajasthan	835	845	341
16.	Tamil Nadu	1772	935	332
17.	Tripura	1614		
18.	Uttar Pradesh	1725	634	143
19.	West Bengal	1821	819	
	All India	1327	827	202