

of Rs. 194.48 crores for drought relief measures for the period April-June, 1990 which included an amount of Rs. 53.68 crores for management of drinking water scarcity in the State.

(c) From 1st April, 1990, the scheme of financing the relief expenditure has undergone change. A Calamity Relief Fund has been created for each State with an allocated amount for carrying out the relief operation in the wake of natural calamities. 75% of this amount is to be contributed by the quarterly instalments and the balance 25% shall be contributed by the State Government from its own resources. The State Level Committee headed by the Chief Secretary of the State shall decide on all matters connected with the relief expenditure. The State of Madhya Pradesh has been allocated an amount of Rs. 37.00 crores under this Calamity Relief Fund for the year 1990-91. 75% of this amount is to be contributed by the Central Government in 4 quarterly instalments. An amount of Rs. 6.94 crores has since been released to the State of Madhya Pradesh on 14th May, 1990 as 'On Account' payment to the Government of Madhya Pradesh being the Centre's contribution for the first quarter for the Calamity Relief Fund.

#### **Setting up of Branch of National Horticulture Board in Madhya Pradesh**

10387. SHRI RAGHAVJI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a branch of National Horticulture Board in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and whether Government propose to provide any special grant to Madhya Pradesh for the

development of Horticulture?

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

(a) to (c). National Horticulture Board has no proposal, at present, to set up any branch office in any part of the country including the State of Madhya Pradesh. However, under the scheme of Market Information Service of Fruits and Vegetables, the Board has set up one Market Information Centre in Madhya Pradesh at Bhopal.

The Board has also sanctioned a project for Expansion of Area under Pineapple Cultivation, high density planting, in Bastar District of Madhya Pradesh at a total cost of Rs. 108.50 lakhs for a period of five years, commencing from 1989-90. The Board's share in the project is Rs. 62.22 lakhs. An amount of Rs. 6.37 lakhs was released to the State Government during the year 1989-90. Besides, the Government is also implementing schemes of "Package Programme for Development of Cashewnut" and "Production of Fruits and Vegetables" in the State of Madhya Pradesh. In addition, Coconut Development Board is also implementing a scheme for Expansion of Area in Madhya Pradesh.

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#### **Procurement and Marketing of Milk**

10388. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the key-targets of the operation flood II programme regarding procurement and marketing of milk and creating viable farmers' organisations during 1986-87 to 1988-89;

(b) the achievements made during the above period; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed by Government for achieving the targets?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF

AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): (a) and (b). The period 1986-87 to 1988-89 covers phase III of Operation Flood Programme. The targets and achievements of key-components during the period are as below:-

Key components	86-87		87-88		88-89	
	TAR	ACH	TAR	ACH	TAR	ACH (Provisional)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No. of Village Dairy Co-operative Societies ('000)	38	49.1	54	54.5	58	58.9
Farm Families Covered (Lakhs)	47	51	57	56.7	63	62.5
Avg. Milk Procurement (Lakh litres per day)	77.6	78	78	77	88	78.7
Avg. Milk Marketing (Lakh litres per day)	63.7	65	75	68.9	85	70.5

\*a The target includes liquid milk and milk products. The achievement reported for liquid milk only.

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(c) During the above period, milk procurement and marketing suffered considerable due to prevailing drought conditions. The situation has since improved. During the year 1989—90, the target for milk procurement has been achieved. The cooperatives are working out strategies to expand both milk processing and marketing facilities.

**Sale of Milk and Consumption of Imported Milk Powder/Fat by Mother Dairies**

10389. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Min-

ister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the total sale of milk and consumption of milk powder and fat by Mother Dairies in Calcutta, Delhi and Greater Bombay during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): The total sale of milk, consumption of milk powder and Fat by the Mother Dairies in Calcutta, Delhi and Bombay during the last three years, year-wise, is given in the attached statement.