

(b) the purpose of sending these forces and places where they were sent;

(c) when Government propose to withdraw these forces; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (d). Central para-military forces are provided to the States on their request, subject to availability, to meet the law and order situations. The durations of their deployment depends on the prevailing situation.

[English]

Abolition of Visas for British Passport Holders

8101. SHRI B. RAJARAVI VARMA:
SHRI SANAT KUMAR MAN-
DAL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to abolish visas for British Passport holders wishing to visit India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) No, Sir.,

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

Amount Spent on Technology Mission on Oilseeds

8102. SHRI BABUBHAI MEGHJI SHAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the amount spent on Technology Mission on Oilseeds during last three years, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA): The Technology Mission on Oilseeds constituted in 1986 is a consortium of various agencies who have responsibilities for oilseeds research, production, processing, distribution, etc. Technology Mission on Oilseeds does not directly implement any scheme. The Mission officers follow up with the several partner Departments and agencies in the implementation of the Integrated Policy for the Development of Oilseeds approved by Government. They visit all oilseed growing States to monitor the progress of the time-bound programmes under that policy.

2. The funds spent on Technology Mission on Oilseeds are by way of expenditure on establishment including pay, allowances, travelling allowances, office contingencies, etc. Expenditure during the last three years has been as follows:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

	<i>Expenditure</i>	
	<i>Plan</i>	<i>Non-Plan</i>
1987-88	—	8.00
1988-89	22.29	9.00

	<i>Expenditure</i>	
	<i>Plan</i>	<i>Non-Plan</i>
1989-90	28.84	8.00

3. Being a coordinating body, Technology Mission on Oilseeds has not incurred any State-wise expenditure.

[*Translation*]

Agricultural Production

8103. SHRI R.N. RAKESH:
SHRI PHOOLCHAND VARMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is great difference in the agricultural production in various regions of the country;

(b) if so, the names of areas in the country where agricultural production is maximum;

(c) the names of areas having minimum agricultural production;

(d) the maximum and minimum agricultural production in the country;

(e) the target fixed by Government to raise this production during the next three years, year-wise; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA):
(a) Yes, Sir. Statement I showing production of foodgrains, oilseeds, sugarcane, jute and mesta and cotton during the triennium ending 1988-89 in major States/all-India is given below.

(b) to (d). Maximum and minimum production of the above crops and the States producing them are indicated in the statement II given below. The comparison has been restricted to major producing State only.

(e) and (f). The Planning Commission has not yet finalised the targets of agricultural production for 1990-91 as we" as 8th Plan.