

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>District</i>	<i>No. of villages with telephones</i>
1	2	3
25.	Sindhudurg	90
26.	Sholapur	174
27.	Thane	100
28	Wardha	86
29	Yeotmal	127
Total		3240

Criteria for Identification of Farmers below Poverty Line

8131. SHRI HARISHANKAR MAHALE
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state

(a) the size of land holding below which a farmer is considered to be below the poverty line;

(b) the criteria adopted in this regard.

(c) whether the quality of land is also taken into account for this purpose. and

(d) 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) to (d). Poverty line is assessed on the basis of information collected by National Sample Survey on Household consumption Expenditure For the Seventh Plan, the cut-off income of around Rs. 6,400 per family per

year has been taken as the poverty line level for rural areas

[English]

Funds to Karnataka for Sub Markets

8132. SHRI H.C. SRIKANTIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of Central assistance given to Karnataka for constructing sub-markets during 1989-90;

(b) the number of sub-market buildings taken up for construction in Karnataka, district-wise;

(c) the amount released for the building of these sub-markets, district-wise;

(d) the amount required to complete these sub-market building; and

(e) the time by which these buildings are likely to be completed?