

- & Technology, Bhubaneswar
- 5 Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat
 - 6 Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya, Raipur
 - 7 Mahatma Phule Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya Raipur
 - 8 Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore
 - 9 Andhra Pradesh Agricultural University Chintalapudi
 - 10 National Botanical Research Institute Lucknow

(b) Rs 38.15 lakhs was allocated for three years (1987-88 to 1989-90) and the actual expenditure has been around to Rs 38 lakhs

(c) During that three years period in West Bengal Rs 4.45 lakhs has been spent against the allocation of Rs 4.62 lakhs

(d) Repeated diseases survey has been revealed that the phytophthora foot and leaf rot, anthracnose and bacterial leaf spot are the most predominant. Besides these root knot nematode also causes serious damage alone or in combination with diseases. Application of Bordeaux mixture as soil drench (1%) at monthly and spray (0.5%) at fortnightly intervals, starting just before onset of monsoon, keeps all the three diseases under check. Similarly, against root knot nematode, application of neem cake @ 2 tonnes/ha year proved highly effective. Soil solarization during summer months before planting the crop also proved highly effective in minimizing the initial disease. Rigorous screening for diseases resistance under artificial inoculation has shown that the Awanipan of Assam and Halishar Sanchi

from West Bengal have a high degree of resistance to diseases. Survey conducted over four years indicates that a number of insect pest and mites also infect the paddy crop

Betelvine responds to upto 400 kg N/ha of Nitrogen and the organic sources help in the reduction of diseases damage and increase the yield. Application of potash upto 50 Kg/ha in deficient soils was beneficial as it induces resistance to many diseases

Many disease free plantations, have been established to supply healthy planting to cultivators

Development of Howrah-Kharagpur Section of National Highway No 6

201 SHRISATYAGOPAL MISRA Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any plan for the improvement/development of Howrah-Kharagpur section of National Highway No 6 West Bengal during 1990-91 and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the amount sanctioned therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K P UNNIKRISHNAN) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir The Annual Plan 1990-91 contains a provision of Rs 225.00 lakhs for sanction of estimates for strengthening in Kms 99 to 106

Postal Stamp in Memory of Saheed Khudiram Bose

8202 SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) whether his Ministry has taken any decision to release postal stamp in the