

Bodos Agitation

6743. PROF. K.V. THOMAS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in solving the Bodos issue;

(b) whether Government have agreed to give Autonomy to Bodos;

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c). In pursuance to the latest round of tripartite discussion held between the Central Government, Assam Government and All Bodo Students' Union on 18.4.1990, a small Committee with representative from All Bodo Students Union, Bodo Peoples Action Committee, Government of Assam and Government of India is being set up. This Committee would be making recommendations suggesting suitable solutions to the techno-political and developmental problems of Bodos and other Plains Tribals in Assam within the framework of the constitution of India and will work out the details of an administrative, political and legal arrangement for devolution of powers acceptable to all sections of people living in the State. The Committee is to submit its report in the next round of talks scheduled to be held on 2.7.1990.

EEC Assistance for Agricultural Wholesale Markets

6744. PROF. K.V. THOMAS. Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether European Economic Community has agreed to finance the agri-

cultural wholesale markets and similar projects in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of the economic assistance proposed to be provided to each of the States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA): (a) and (b). The European Economic Community have entered into an agreement with India for development of three large regional agricultural markets and three smaller district markets in Kerala. The project also provides assistance for monitoring and evaluation and special consultancy services. The project provides for supply of fertilisers valued at 18.10 million European currency units through Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation of India and 0.55 million European currency units for monitoring evaluation etc. The project is being implemented in Kerala.

Termination of Services of Executive Director and Director of C-DOT

6745. PROF. K.V. THOMAS:
SHRI HARISH RAWAT
SHRI KUSUMA KRISHNA
MURTHY:
SHRI P.C. THOMAS:
SHRI K.S. RAO:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Executive Director and Director C-DOT had given a dissenting note to KPP Nambiar C-DOT Committee Report if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether services of these two officers have been terminated;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;