

there are other places also where such accidents take place. Accidents do take place elsewhere also, in view of the fact that there are as many as 8 to 10 lakh workers.

SHRI SHIV PRASAD SAHU : My question is why these accidents are confined to Bihar alone ?

SHRI T. ANJIAH : No, they are not confined to Bihar alone.

[English]

Pilot Project for Watershed Development

*188. **DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI :** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether watershed development approach has been adopted by Government as a national strategy for development of dryland agriculture in the country;

(b) if so, whether a pilot project for watershed development in limited areas in some States is being launched with the assistance of World Bank; and

(c) if so, the names of those States and the amount sanctioned by the World Bank for this project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Funds sanctioned by World Bank for different States under the Pilot Project for Watershed Development in Rainfed Areas is indicated below :—

States	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)
1. Andhra Pradesh	582.00
2. Karnataka	552.00
3. Madhya Pradesh	863.90
4. Maharashtra	443.20

DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : I was not expecting such a pithy reply from the hon. Minister.

MR. SPEAKER : Do you like it ?

DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : My original question was : Whether watershed development approach has been adopted by Government as a national strategy for development of dryland agriculture in the country. And the hon. Minister's reply is, Yes Sir. This is just a bureaucratic reply. This is the highest body of the country, but the hon. Minister has given a very pithy reply through his bureaucracy. I want to know from the hon. Minister the total cultivable land in the country ; out of this, what is the total percentage of irrigated land ? According to the geo-physical conditions of our country, on how much land dry land farming can be done ? This is the main object of this question. But the hon. Minister has given the answer to just befool the country. He should first answer this and then I will put my supplementary.

SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA : Though this question does not relate to my Ministry, I can tell the hon. Member from my memory that the total area in the country is about 328 million hectares. Out of this about 142 million hectares is not sown area. Out of this nearly 40 million hectares is under irrigation. So far as the dry land farming is concerned, various strategies are adopted by the Government for this. They consist of research, improved varieties of seeds, extension services, providing inputs to farmers, credit and crop insurance.

DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : Sir, now I will come to my question.

MR. SPEAKER : No, one question is answered and now the second question.

DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether a pilot project for watershed development in limited areas in some States has been formulated by the Government of India and if so, what is the acreage out of

that for which they have sought World Bank assistance, and whether he has sought this assistance for a very backward State like Orissa also about which Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Mahatma Gandhi had said, "If you want to see poverty, you go to Orissa". So, I would like to know from the hon. Minister what is the percentage of irrigation in Orissa both for Rabi and Kharif crops and how much is the acreage of land in geo-physical terms for development of agriculture, and what are the projects the Government of India have taken up for dry-land farming and irrigation in comparison to other places. Why has the Government of India not given some proposal to the World Bank also regarding this ?

SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA : His question is limited but now the supplementary is unlimited. It covers the entire Ministry. However, I would like to reply to the hon. Member that so far as this pilot project is concerned, I have already told him that it is in four States—Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra. I have given the allocation also. This has been taken up with the help of World Bank. There is another project also with the help of World Bank and that is in Punjab—Kandi Watershed Project. There are two other schemes of the Government of India also. One consists of fifteen States in which Orissa is one of the States and another is for providing inputs like seed-cum-fertilizer drills, etc. In terms of area, so far as Orissa is concerned, the net sown area in Orissa is 6,130 thousand hectares in 1980-81. Out of that, the rainfed area is 4,915 thousand hectares which comes to 80.2 per cent. So far as 1981-82 is concerned, the net sown area has again remained the same, that is 80.2 per cent or 6,130 thousand hectares. Out of that, the net rainfed area is again 4,915 thousand hectares.

DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : Which are the areas please enumerate.

MR. SPEAKER : That is all.

DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : Sir, this is my second supplementary.

MR. SPEAKER : No, no, you have had two. Sorry.

DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : I have not come to my question, Sir.

SHRI K. RAMACHANDRA REDDY : Sir, the Anantapur district of Andhra Pradesh is a chronic famine affected area. Only 14 per cent of the agricultural land is irrigated, 86 per cent is under dry cultivation. I would like to know whether the Central Government will allot sufficient funds and take up this district for the implementation of the pilot project and for watershed development in view of the chronic drought situation in the State.

SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA : Sir, under this Watershed Development Project, Andhra Pradesh is also one of the States. For the information of the hon. Member I may tell him that there are fifteen States which are covered under this project and Rs five crores have been allotted for this. Out of this, 75 per cent is the grant and 25 per cent is the loan. In Andhra Pradesh one watershed is to be developed.

SHRI K. RAMACHANDRA REDDY : I am asking about Anantapur district.

SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA : I have no separate figure for Anantapur district.

Import of items under Operation Flood I & II Projects

*190. **DR. G. VIJAYA RAMA RAO :** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total value of dairy equipment, including laminated paper, cattle, vaccines etc imported by National Dairy Development Board/Indian Dairy Corporation under Operation Flood I and II and other related projects ;

(b) what is the expenditure on imports of spare parts for imported machinery so far ;