

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
27. Parsoda	0.39	..	..	0.39	
28. Daulat	0.75	0.84	0.45	2.04	
29. Faizpur . . . . .	..	0.05	0.33	0.38	
30. Khedgaon . . . . .	..	0.15	..	0.15	
31. Bhadrakali	1.21	..	..	1.21	
32. Sonai	3.01	..	..	3.01	As on 22-7-80
33. Kada	1.89	0.31	..	2.20	
Total	125.80	31.60	44.37	201.77	

NOTE:—This excludes the names of 37 factories which have reported nil arrears.

New Cropping Pattern for Pulses

*930. SHRI JANARDHANA
POOJARY:
SHRI PIUS TIRKEY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether new cropping pattern to boost production of pulses in the country has been worked by the I.C.A.R.; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BIRENDRA SINGH RAO):
(a) Yes, Sir. A number of crop sequences, intercropping and mixed cropping systems involving short duration varieties of pulses have been evolved both for rainfed and irrigated farming conditions for boosting pulse production in the country.

(b) The predominant crop sequences recommended for different regions under irrigated and rainfed conditions of the country are given below:—

1. North & North Western Region

(Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Western Uttar Pradesh)

A. Sequence Cropping

Irrigated			Rainfed			
Kharif	Rabi	Zaid	Kharif	Rabi		
Rice	—	Wheat	—	Greengram	—	Mustard
Maize	—	Wheat	—	Greengram	—	Gram
Maize	—	Potato	—	Greengram	—	Mustard
Bajra	—	Wheat	—	Greengram		

B. *Intercropping/Mixed Cropping*

- (i) Bajra/Maize + Greengram
- (ii) Maize + Soyabean
- (iii) Safflower + Cowpea
- (iv) Cotton + Greengram
- (v) Maize + Cowpea
- (vi) Maize + Blackgram

II. *Eastern Region*

(Eastern Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, Orissa & Assam)

A. *Sequence Cropping*

Irrigated			Rainfed				
Kharif	Rabi	Zaid	Kharif	Rabi			
Rice	—	Rice	—	Cowpeas	Rice	—	Gram
Rice	—	Potato	—	Greengram	Bajra	—	Gram
Maize	—	Arhar	—		Sesamum	—	Gram
Maize	—	Wheat	—	Greengram	Maize	—	Horsegram
(Maize + Urd)	—	Wheat	—	Greengram	Maize	—	Gram

B. *Intercropping/Mixed Cropping*

- (i) Maize + Redgram
- (ii) Ragi + Redgram
- (iii) Sorghum + Redgram

III. *Central Region*

(Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Gujarat)

A. *Sequence Cropping*

Irrigated			Rainfed				
Kharif	Rabi	Zaid	Kharif	Rabi			
Bajra	—	Wheat	—	Greengram	Sorghum	—	Gram
Maize	—	Wheat	—	Cowpea	Blackgram	—	Wheat
Sorghum	—	Wheat	—	Greengram/Cowpea	Greengram	—	Sorghum
Sorghum	—	Potato	—	Greengram	Bajra	—	Gram
					Cowpea/Urd	—	Gram/Safflower

B. *Mixed Cropping/Intercropping*

- (i) Bajra/Sorghum + Redgram
- (ii) Groundnut + Redgram
- (iii) Sorghum + Blackgram/Cowpeas
- (iv) Cotton + Greengram

IV. Southern Region

(Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala)

A. Sequence Cropping

Irrigated			Rainfed	
Kharif	Rabi	Zaid	Kharif	Rabi
Rice	—	Rice	—	Greengram
Rice	—	Rice	—	Blackgram
Rice	—	Rice	—	Gowpea
			Greengram	—
			Greengram	—
			Gowpea	—
			Bajra/Sorghum	—
				Sorghum
				Safflower
				Ragi
				Gowpea/Horsegram

B. Intercropping/Mixed Cropping

- (i) Sorghum/Bajra + Redgram
- (ii) Groundnut + Redgram
- (iii) Redgram Ragi
- (iv) Tapioca + Gowpea/Horsegram

Agricultural Prices Commission

*931. SHRI A. T. PATIL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the revised terms of reference of the Agricultural Prices Commission; and

(b) what are the objectives in the revision of the terms of reference of the Agricultural Prices Commission?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BIRENDRA SINGH RAO): (a) and (b). A copy of the Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Agriculture and Cooperation) Resolution No. 14011/2/78-Econ. Py., dated 5.3.80 containing the revised terms of reference of the Agricultural Prices Commission is placed on the Table of the Sabha. The objectives of revising the terms of reference have been mentioned in the Resolution.

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The Agricultural Prices Commission was set up in January, 1965 to advise

on the price policy of agricultural commodities with a view to evolving a balanced and integrated price structure in the perspective of the overall needs of the economy and with due regard to the interests of the producer and the consumer. Over the years, the Commission has helped in the evolution of a stable and positive price policy for agricultural commodities.

The agricultural situation has considerably changed since the setting up of the Commission. The area under irrigation and intensity of cropping are going up steadily. Consumption of fertilizers and pesticides has increased. Investment in Agriculture through institutional and other sources has risen. A number of policy decisions have been taken to give high priority to Agriculture and Rural Development.

Agricultural production has as a result of these steps achieved a reasonable degree of stability and a process of increasing market orientation of the agricultural sector has set in. It is hence considered necessary to modify