

Centrally Aided Irrigation Scheme in Rajasthan

*843. SHRI JAI NARAYAN ROAT : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the Centrally aided irrigation schemes in Rajasthan work on which has not been finished within the stipulated period;

(b) the details of such schemes; and

(c) the time by which all these schemes are likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) to (c) There are no Centrally aided irrigation projects in Rajasthan. Irrigation is a State subject and irrigation projects are funded and executed by the State Governments themselves. Central assistance is provided in the form of block loans/grants to the States, which is not tied to any sector of development or projects.

Assistance to A.P. for Setting up Cooperative Spinning Mills

*844. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh State falls in the priority category of States where setting up of cooperative spinning mills has to be promoted; and

(b) if so, the assistance to be given to Andhra Pradesh State Government to start cooperative spinning mills ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) Andhra Pradesh is one of the States where more Cooperative Spinning Mills are being set up in the Sixth Plan period.

(b) The Working Group on Cooperative Spinning Mills appointed by the Ministry of Commerce recommended establishment of three Spinning Mills

in Andhra Pradesh, two in the Growers' sector and one in the Weavers' sector. The National Cooperative Development Corporation has already sanctioned an assistance of Rs. 112 lakhs to a Cooperative Spinning Mill in the Growers' sector in Andhra Pradesh. One application for assistance to a Weavers' Cooperative Spinning Mill is pending with National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC). Another application for assistance in the setting up of a Spinning Mill in the Growers' sectors is yet to be received by the National Cooperative Development Corporation. Subject to the availability of funds, the National Cooperative Development Corporation will consider providing assistance to two more Cooperative Spinning Mills, one in the Weavers' sector and another in the Growers' sector, during the Sixth Plan period.

Meeting the Demand of Milk by DMS and MD in Delhi

*845. SHRI AMAR ROYPRADHAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Milk Scheme and the Mother Dairy are not meeting the demand of Milk of the public of Delhi;

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government are considering to establish one more dairy besides these dairies to meet the demand of milk of the public of Delhi; and

(d) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b) The objective of the Government has been to achieve the commanding share of the milk market in Delhi. With this end in view the installed

capacity which was 2.55 lakh litres per day in 1970 was increased to 9.75 lakh litres per day by March, 1981 under Operation Flood I through expansion of capacity of DMS and the setting up of new capacity in Mother Dairy, Delhi. Though, it is difficult to forecast the precise demand for milk, the Government has been making every effort to meet the effective demand for milk in Delhi. At present, Mother Dairy and DMS are supplying about 9.10 lakh litres of milk per day. A market survey conducted recently indicates that there will be a gap between the supply and likely demand for milk in 1985.

(c) There is a proposal to establish one more dairy in Delhi.

(d) No final decision has been taken so far.

Increasing Quantum of Buffer Stock of Sugar

*846. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to increase the buffer stock of sugar from the present level of 5 lakhs tonnes;

(b) if so, whether a decision in this regard has been taken; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD) : (a) No, Sir. At present there is no such proposal.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Setting up of Milk Plant at Karnal

*847. SHRI CHIRANJIT LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the

Indian Dairy Corporation and the National Dairy Development Board have sanctioned Rs. 2 crore plant with a capacity of 60,000 litres of milk per day at Karnal;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there are already five milk plants in Haryana and all are running into losses;

(c) whether it is also a fact that milk procurement is inadequate compared to the installed capacity; and

(d) if so, the necessity for setting up of a new plant ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) :

(a) The Operation Flood II project in Haryana provides for setting up of a dairy plant at Karnal with a capacity of 50,000 litres of milk per day.

(b) and (c) The capacity utilisation by existing dairy plants in Haryana is inadequate to make them commercially viable units.

(d) Techno-economic feasibility study has indicated that the new plant under Operation Flood II frame work would be viable.

High Cost of Fertiliser and Subsidy Thereon

9447. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that while inaugurating the IFFCO Marketing Conference, he is reported to have said that the high cost of fertiliser and the subsidy involved and put Government in a dilemma;

(b) whether this is being interpreted by farmers that the present subsidy on fertilisers is going to be cut down;

(c) whether the existing high cost has created problems for the agricul-