

While Statewise allocations under Operation Flood II will be determined after the agreements between the States and the IDC, a sum of Rs. 2700 lakhs has been provided in the budget for the year 1979-80.

SHRI PADMACHARAN SAMANTASINHERA: The Minister gave the answer that other States will be covered gradually. 'Gradually' means up to what date? The Government now takes up the programme in 11 States only. But when will the Government cover all the States? And what is the time limit for this?

SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA: Operation Flood I is continuing and it is to continue up to June this year. But we are trying that it may be continued for some time. Operation Flood II will take about 7 years to complete.

SHRI PADMACHARAN SAMANTASINHERA: When is the Government going to start this programme in Orissa State?

SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA: We are now to come under operation Flood II. We are trying to have all the States in the country under Operation Flood II.

DR. VASANT KUMAR PANDIT: Sir, Will the hon. Minister tell us whether after the completion of Operation Flood I programme, any survey has been done about the various schemes which were undertaken and how much success was achieved. Because there has been persistent criticism in the press that Operation Flood I programme has failed and launching of a second programme is too premature on the basis of experience gained. So, have the Government made any survey about the entire performance of the Operation Flood I programme?

SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA: The benefits of Operation Flood I, have been assessed and that is why Operation Flood II is being taken up. In various States what work has been done and how we are benefited by that scheme, all that has been assessed.

Cut in milk supply by D.M.S.

*380, **SHRI SHIV NARAIN SARSONIA:** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the supply of milk by the Delhi Milk Scheme has been curtailed much below its existing procurement resources and handling capacity;

(b) if so, the justification therefor and the extent of hardship caused to the consumers of milk;

(c) whether this curtailment in supply has been made as a permanent feature;

(d) if not, by when it is expected to be increased and to what extent; and

(e) the reasons and justifications for allowing disparity in the quality and comparative rates in the milk supplied by Mother Dairy and Delhi Milk Scheme?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA): (a) to (e). A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

(a) and (b). Keeping in view the long-term objective of ensuring efficient handling of processed milk by D.M.S., extensive renovation work has had to be undertaken in the Central Dairy Complex. The bottling plants are also under renovation, and it is not possible to handle milk to the targeted capacity. It is because of this that it is not possible to process more than 2.20 lac litres of milk per day while the renovation work is in progress.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The renovation of the Central Dairy Complex is expected to be completed by December, 1979 and thereafter the level of distribution of milk can be suitably raised to 3 lac litres per day.

(e) The reason for higher price of Mother Dairy milk is because of its higher fat content than toned milk sold by the Delhi Milk Scheme. The availability of the two qualities of milk gives a suitable choice to the consumer.

श्री शिव नारायण सरसुनिया : लोगों को दूध की मलाई में जो कमी की गई है उसके विशेष क्या कारण हैं और अभी यह कब तक इसी तरह से चलेगा ?

श्री सुरजीत सिंह बरनाला : यह दिल्ली में दूध का बहुत पुराना कारखाना है। इस वास्ते यह जर्नी हो गया था कि इस में कुछ रिपेयरिंग की जाए, कुछ इम्प्रूवमेंट्स की जाए और वह काम बड़ी मेजी के साथ चल रहा है। मैं खुद उसको देख कर आया हूँ। उसका ठम डेमन्ड में घट कर चलेगा। जब तक हमने यह बाधा ठम किया है। 2 लाख लिटर हम अभी तैयार कर रहे हैं। उसके बाद फिर में ज्यादा तैयार होने लग जाएगा। उस फीट्री का रिनोवेशन हो रहा है।

श्री शिव नारायण सरसुनिया : वहां की स्थिति को देखते हुए आपका क्या विचार है कि दिल्ली मिल्क स्कीम के प्रलाता एक नई डेरी और ऐसी ही जाय जहां पर ठीक तरह से दिल्ली को लोगों को दूध मिल सके ?

श्री सुरजीत सिंह बरनाला : डेरी तो दूध की ही होगी, फीट्री ही लगेगी, वही फीट्री जो लगी हुई है उसी को इस डेग से इम्प्रूव किया जा रहा है, तकरीबन 1 करोड़ 50 लाख हो रहा है, उसको ऐसी रीकडीशन किया जा रहा है ताकि वह नये डेग से फिर काम शुरू कर सके नये अर्थ के लिए।

श्री कंबर शाल गुप्त : मंत्री महोदय को मालूम होगा कि दिल्ली में काफी लोग ऐसे हैं जिनको दूध नहीं मिलता है और मिलता भी है तो बहुत महंगा मिलता है और गाइ भी नहीं मिलता है और हजारों लोग बेडिंग सिस्ट पर हैं। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि दिल्ली में जो दूध का मामला है उसको पूरा करने के लिए, आपने डेरीज तो शहर में से हटा दी, तो उसको पूरा करने के लिए आपके पास आगे क्या योजना है, और कितने लोग बेडिंग सिस्ट में हैं और कब तक आपकी योजना पूरी होगी क्या खर्च आयेगा, इसका ज्वोरा है ?

श्री सुरजीत सिंह बरनाला : मंदर डेरी यहां इसीलिए कायम की गई ताकि और लोगों को दूध मुहैया किया जा सके। और मंदर डेरी से भी बहुत तादाद में दूध लोगों के पास जाता है। लेकिन ऐसा नहीं है कि दिल्ली की पूरी आबादी के लिए यह दोनों डेरीज मुकम्मिल तौर से दूध दे सकें। रिनोवेशन से आता है कि आध्दा इससे लाभद 1 लाख लिटर दूध और ज्यादा पैदा कर सकें ताकि दूसरे लोगों को भी दूध मिल सके।

SHRI ASOKE KRISHNA DUTT:
Is the Government conscious about improving the milk supply of Delhi only or is it also considering about extending...

MR. SPEAKER: The question is Confined to Delhi.

SHRI ASHOKE KRISHNA DUTT:
Is it also considering other metropolitan cities like Calcutta, Bombay and Madras?

SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA:
This Scheme Operation Flood-1 was taken up in all metropolitan cities and Mother Dairy has come up in all the metropolitan cities.

Forest Policy and Protection of Himalayan Forests

*302. DR VASANT KUMAR PANDIT Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken decision to declare valuable Himalayan forests a protected forest; and

(b) the settled policy of the Government with regard to forest protection, afforestation and deforestation?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA): (a) and (b). Necessary information is being collected from the States concerned and would be placed on the table of the Lok Sabha in due course. I may add that we have made efforts, but we could not get the information.

DR. VASANT KUMAR PANDIT:
The hon. Minister is aware that there were heavy floods in Alakandian Valley Project area. In spite of that thing, the forest Department of UP has felled green trees through their own contractors for their own work and because of this, a Sarvodaya leader, Shri Bahuguna had fasted and there has been a continuous andolan, called Chipco Andolan. What information has been collection by the Government from the UP State Government about this? If not so, why was it not collected?