

### Prawn Culture

3232. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE:  
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total area which has been developed in brakish water and freshwater for prawn culture arena, State-wise;

(b) the total potential area that can be developed, State-wise;

(c) the reasons for sluggish growth in some States;

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to intensify the area development in such States; and

(e) the details of the plan and programme of the Government with regard to prawn farming during Eighth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) and (b). A Statement is appended.

(c) Some of the major reasons for the slow growth of prawn farming in some States include: non-availability of adequate quantity of seed and high energy supplementary feed; non-availability of a viable indigenous technology for their propagation feed formulation, culture management etc. and non-availability of adequate trained manpower/expertise for undertaking such activities in the State Governments; etc.

(d) The steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for promotion of prawn farming include :

(i) development of prawn farming through Brackishwater Fish Farmers' Development Agencies and Fish Farmers' Development Agencies;

(ii) encouraging establishment of integrated shrimp ponds/prawn ponds and support facilities such as seed hatcheries in the Government/public/private sector; and

(iii) human resources development by establishing demonstration-cum-training centres for training of fisheries personnel and aquaculturists; etc.

(e) The plans and programmes of the Government for prawn farming during Eighth plan period include:

(i) establishment of Brackishwater Fish Farmers' Development Agencies in the potential coastal districts for providing package of technical, financial and extension support to shrimp farmers;

(ii) provision of incentives in the form of subsidy for development of shrimp farms both for extensive and semi-intensive shrimp farming, shrimp/prawn hatcheries for supply of inputs, establishment of fish feed mills, training of shrimp/prawn farmers, establishment of demonstration-cum-training centres at the State level; etc.

### STATEMENT

S. No.	States/UTs.	Fresh Water tanks/ponds*		Brackishwater area for prawn culture	
		Area under fish/prawn culture (ha.) (P)	Potential for development (ha. in lakh)	Area under culture (ha.) (P)	Potential for development (ha.)
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Andhra Pradesh	59,440	5.11	80,000	1,50,000
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	145	0.01	-	-
3.	Assam	23,000	0.21	-	-
4.	Bihar	72,207	0.95	-	-
5.	Goa	-	0.03	550	18,500
6.	Gujarat	43,084	0.71	450	3,76,000
7.	Haryana	17,874	0.10	-	-
8.	Himachal Pradesh	243	0.01	-	-
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	1,520	0.17	-	-
10.	Karnataka	16,958	3.52	2,570	8,000
11.	Kerala	8,005	0.03	13,400	65,000
12.	Madhya Pradesh	81,640	1.17	-	-
13.	Maharashtra	33,478	0.32	1,980	80,000
14.	Manipur	7,335	0.05	-	-

1	2	3	4	5	6
15.	Meghalaya	25	0.02	-	-
16.	Mizoram	1,550	0.02	-	-
17.	Nagaland	1,618	0.50	-	-
18.	Orissa	78,979	0.64	9,800	31,000
19.	Punjab	3,232	0.07	-	-
20.	Rajasthan	3,949	1.80	-	-
21.	Sikkim	36	Neg.	-	-
22.	Tamil Nadu	5,386	2.24	1,600	56,000
23.	Tripura	12,243	0.12	-	-
24.	Uttar Pradesh	1,58,000	1.62	-	-
25.	West Bengal	1,68,169	2.76	34,050	4,05,000
26.	A and N Islands	26	0.30	-	Neg.
27.	Chandigarh	-	Neg.	-	-
28.	Dadra, Nagar and Haveli	-	-	-	-
29.	Daman and Diu	-	-	-	-
30.	Delhi	-	Neg.	-	-
31.	Lakshadweep	-	-	-	-
32.	Pondicherry	1,000	Neg.	Neg.	800
	Total	7,99,142	22.54	1,44,400	11,90,900

<sup>1</sup> Freshwater prawn normally are cultured alongwith other freshwater fish such as Indian major carps. There is no potential area exclusively for freshwater prawn farming.

P = Provisional.

[Translation]

#### Production of Onion

3233. SHRI RAM SINGH KASHWAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total production of onion during the year 1994; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the adequate supply of onion in the Indian market as well its adequate export?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) Total production of onion during the year 1994 is not available.

(b) Government of India is promoting production and supply of seeds of improved varieties of onion, and their dissemination through minikit programme under the Central Sector Scheme on production and supply of vegetable seeds to ensure higher onion production both for domestic and export market during the VIII Plan.

[English]

#### Stoppage at Chakki Bank Station

3234. PROF. PREM DHUMAL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Hazrat Nizammuddin-Jammu Tawi Rajdhani Express was given a stoppage at Chakki Bank (NR) railway station for six months on an experimental basis;

(b) if so, whether the above stoppage has been withdrawn and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether this stoppage proposed to be regularised for the convenience of domestic and foreign tourists bound for Dharamshala, Dulhousie, Chamba, Kullu, Manali and other hill stations of Himachal Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

[Translation]

#### Review of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

3235. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEYA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government had constituted any review committee to examine the working of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) and (b). A Committee has been constituted under the Chairpersonship of Dy. Minister (E and C), Ministry of Human Resource Development for an in-depth and exhaustive review of the functioning of the Kendriya Vidyalayas and their management.