

photos of events taking place inside each non-aligned country; and the HF sessions should continue to be used in distributing the various services of the Pool.

The implementation of these decisions is a continuous process. According to the functions of the Inter-governmental Council for the coordination of the non-aligned countries, the Council will coordinate the activities of the non-aligned countries in the fields of information and communication in implementing the decisions of the Jakarta Conference; monitor the development and progress of efforts undertaken by the non-aligned countries in the field of media cooperation; and initiate activities which may facilitate the smooth implementation of action programmes agreed upon by the Conference.

Regional Minimum Wages in Coir and Cashew Industries

6360. SHRI P. A. ANTONY : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose ensure regional minimum wages in industries like coir and cashew in the Southern region; and

(b) if so, the details of the proposals and action taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH) : (a) and (b) : Under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948, the State Governments are the appropriate Government for fixing/revising minimum wages for industries like Coir and Cashew. However, in pursuance of the 31st Session of the Labour Ministers' Conference held in July, 1983, while fixing/revising wages the State Governments are expected to give due regard to the impact that wide disparity in wages in the same employment might have on the industry in other States especially the neighbouring ones.

Production of Poultry and Eggs

6361. SHRI D. N. REDDY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether production of poultry and eggs has increased recently in the country;

(b) whether adequate facilities are provided for export to Arab countries; and

(c) the State which have the maximum facilities to propagate the latest scientific methods of improved poultry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Facilities including cash compensatory support, import replenishment, etc. are available on export of poultry products including essence of chicken and poultry meat, live chicks and hatching eggs to all destinations including Arab countries.

(c) Necessary technical expertise to propagate the latest scientific methods for improved poultry production is available in all the States in the country. The progress, however, differs from State to State. No comparative evaluation of facilities provided in different States have been attempted.

Horticulture University in the Country

6362. SHRI M. RAGHUMA REDDY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any plans to open Horticulture Universities in the country;