

7. Establishment of Duck Farm
8. Establishment of Kadaknath Farm
9. Poultry Training School
10. Establishment of Assel Farm
11. Establishment of Poultry Diagnostic Laboratories
12. Poultry Corporation
13. Distribution of Duck and Guinea Fowl
14. Setting up of Poultry Production Units under Special Livestock Breeding Programme.

(b) 38 districts have been covered under Poultry Development Scheme and the remaining districts will be covered during 1987-88.

(c) Yes, preference has been given to the tribal areas of the State by taking up the following schemes:

- i) Establishment of "Assel" Farm at Jagadapur.
- ii) Establishment of "Kadaknath" Farm at Jhabua.
- iii) Ranikhet Eradication Scheme at Shahdol, Surguja, Bastar, Jhabua.
- iv) Mass Poultry Production Scheme in all the 22 tribal districts of the State.

(d) A sum of Rs. 29.35 lakhs was released during 1986-87 and during 1987-88 first instalment of Rs. 32.50 lakhs has been released as Central share of fund as a whole to the Government of Madhya Pradesh under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Special Livestock Breeding Programme. No separate allocations are made for setting up of poultry production units under this scheme.

Traffic on Delhi-Goa-Trivandrum Route

2004. SHRI K. MOHANDAS: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a heavy rush of traffic on the Delhi-Goa-Trivandrum route;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to operate one more flight on this route; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b). No, Sir, the capacity provided on this sector is considered adequate.

(c) Does not arise.

Language Lessons Broadcast from Air Stations

2005. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Tamil language lessons are being broadcast from Madras and Tiruchirappalli AIR stations;

(b) whether it is a fact that Sanskrit and Hindi language lessons are being broadcast from Vijayawada AIR station;

(c) whether Government will broadcast language lessons in Telugu and Hindi from AIR Vijayawada as Telugu is the spoken language of the area; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI A.K. PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d). No Sir. There is no proposal to broadcast language lesson in Telugu from AIR Vijayawada. The main purpose of AIR'S language lessons is to enable listeners in one State to learn a language other than the major language of the State. This also helps in promoting National Integration.

Criteria for the Selection of Comperes

2006. DR. T. KALPANA DEVI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Doordarshan has invited very frequently the wives and relations of senior administrative officers to comperes shows etc.;

(b) if so, the criteria followed in the selection of comperes for the programmes meant for rural people; and

(c) the steps taken to ensure that only people having interest in the subject are selected as comperes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI A.K. PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Doordarshan selects comperes and announcers purely on the merit of their performance and potential. An Audition Committee tests the potential the candidates and only persons of merit are selected.

[*Translation*]

Details of Profit and Losses in Fertilizer Corporation of India

2007. SHRI C.D. GAMIT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total investment made in the Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited.

(b) the year-wise details of profits made

or losses incurred by the Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited during the period from 1982-83 to 1986-87.

(c) the reasons for incurring heavy losses by the Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited; and

(d) details of concrete steps being taken by Government to minimise the losses and earn profit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) As on the 31st March, 1987, the total investment made in the Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCI) is Rs. 818.13 crores.

(b) The details of the losses incurred during the period 1982-83 to 1986-87 are as follows:

Year	(Rs./Crores)
1982-83	80.69
1983-84	80.59
1984-85	45.14
1985-86	127.21
1986-87	96.97 (Provisional)

(c) FCI suffered losses due to equipment design deficiencies, equipment problems leading to shut-downs, power problems, liquidity problems, etc.

(d) Government appointed a Task Force in June, 1986 to go into the working of FCI and HFC to suggest measures for improving operational/financial performance of the two companies. The recommendations of the Task Force have been received and are being examined. However, action is already underway in regard to a few matters included in the recommendations. A comprehensive study of coal-based plants at Remagundam and Talcher has already been carried out by M/s Krupp Koppers of West Germany.