

Linking of Villages with all Weather Roads

4000. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages which are still unconnected with all weather as on 30 December, 1988; and

(b) the number of villages which are proposed to be connected with all weather road by the end of 1989-90?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY):

(a) The number of villages having a population of 1000 and above yet to be connected on 1.4.1988 is 36877.

(b) In the Seventh Five Year Plan, 24338 villages are proposed to be connected by 1989-90.

Diversification Plans of IFFCO

4001. SHRI GOPALA KRISHNA THOTA:
SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Farmers Fertilizer Co-operative Ltd. (IFFCO) plans to diversify its activities in the field of petrochemicals;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether other fertilizer companies have agreed to invest in the proposed petrochemicals project; and

(d) whether Government have given clearance to the diversification project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir, IFFCO has applied for setting up one of the following petrochemical complexes:

(1) The gas-based petrochemical project in Auraiya, (U.P.).

(2) The naphtha based cracker complex at Visakhapatnam (A.P.)

(c) No, Sir, IFFCO has not approached any other fertiliser company for this purpose.

(d) No, Sir.

Training courses for Principals of Kendriya Vidyalayas

4002. PROF. PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether newly recruited/promoted principals of Kendriya Vidyalayas undergo a training course before their posting/confirmation; and

(b) if so, the details of the course?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan organises an Induction Course for those selected as Principals subject to availability of training facilities.

(b) The Induction Course covers the following areas:

(a) Development of communication skills;