

Under the tribal sub-Plan, Central assistance was provided in the districts of Kinnaur, Lahaul and Spiti and Pangi and Bharmaur tahsils of Chamba district under block grants Central assistance is provided for the sub-Plan as a whole and not related to any specific scheme. The amount released during the last three years are

(Rs in lakhs)

1974-75	1975-76	1976-77
Nil	31.00	68.00

The release, include scheme under minor irrigation. The amounts released specifically for minor irrigation and district-wise break-up are not available.

(b) and (c) Out of the total area of 55 670 sq km an area of 6 500 sq km is considered to be coverable by Ground Water surveys. Upto the end of March, 1977 Central Ground Water Board covered an area of 3520 sq km under re-appraisal surveys and 525 sq km under Ground Water Exploration and first resource evaluation studies. Areas suitable for ground water development have been identified.

(d) The programme for 1978-79 has not yet been finalised.

Foreign Collaboration for Afforestation in Himachal Pradesh

1090 SHRI DURGA CHAND Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state

(a) whether Government of India have formulated a Scheme with foreign collaboration for afforestation in Himachal Pradesh,

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of countries with whom collaboration has been done,

(c) the names of the areas in Himachal Pradesh with the details of

forests which are to be covered under the project, and

(d) what is the total investment in this Project and by when the Project is to be undertaken and completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH) (a) Yes

(b) The project envisages support to a research centre in Himachal Pradesh to carry out research into nursery and plantation technology of high level conifers with a view to standardise the techniques. Under this project it is intended to import needed scientific equipment and expert services as well as train Indian technicians abroad. The proposal is still in the preparatory stage, no country has been approached for collaboration as yet.

(c) The proposal is to support the research centre on High Level Conifers already operating at Simla.

(d) The project cost is Rs 25 lakhs. But it is still in preparatory stage. It is being processed by the different concerned departments. Hence no definite date regarding its undertaking and completion can be given at this stage.

Refugees Migrated after 1964 Riots and Indo-Pakistan Wars of 1965 and 1971

1091 SHRI SAMAR GUHA Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state

(a) the number of refugees from former East Pakistan now living in

different camps who migrated to India after 1964 communal riots in former East Pakistan and of Indo-Pakistan war of 1965,

(b) the number of refugees from the former East Pakistan who migrated to India immediately before and after 1971 Indo-Pakistan war, and

(c) policy and programme formulated by the Government for their rehabilitation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI RAM KINKAR) (a) The number of rehabilitable families which migrated from former East Pakistan between the period 1-11-1964 to 25 3-1971 now in camps/work-site camps is 455

(b) According to Government policy relief and rehabilitation is admissible only to those families from former East Pakistan which migrated upto 25-3-1971 All those persons who came over to India between the period April 1971 to November 1971 were sent back to Bangladesh Their number was 98 99 lakhs

(c) 21,300 families of migrants from former East Pakistan are to be settled during the Fifth Plan Period The remaining 2 200 families will be settled during the Sixth Plan Period upto 1982-83

Expenditure incurred on Development of cities by the Centre

1092 SHRI SAMAR GUHA Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state

(a) the expenditure incurred by the Central Government for development of the cities of Delhi, Bombay, Bangalore, Madras, Lucknow, Patna

and Calcutta during the years 1974-77

(b) the basic principles followed in regard to allocation of expenditure for development of the above cities,

(c) the break-up of expenditure for each of the above cities, and

(d) the outlines of the policy regarding their development by the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT) (a) and (c) Presumably, the question relates to the Central assistance provided from the Scheme for Integrated Urban Development in Metropolitan Cities and Areas of National Importance administered by the Ministry of Works and Housing If this is so a statement containing the information required is attached No assistance has been provided from the Scheme so far for Delhi and Patna

(b) and (d) Though Urban Development is essentially a State subject, the Central Government has been providing financial assistance under the Scheme for Integrated Urban Development in Metropolitan Cities and Areas of National Importance, introduced during the 5th Plan period, to supplement the resources of the State Governments for the development of cities and towns Under the Scheme, all cities and towns with a population of 3 lakhs and above, towns with growth potential and capital towns of all State Governments are eligible for Central assistance The projects for Central assistance are to be prepared by the State Governments, and once the projects are accepted by the Central Government, assistance is sanctioned according to the progress achieved