

Land in the Outer Periphery of Subhash Nagar, New Delhi

2960 **SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN** Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a piece of land in the outer periphery of DDA (MIG) Flats near Subhash Nagar crossing which is not looked after either by the civil or horticulture department of DDA

(b) whether it is also a fact that it has become a dumping ground for debris and thus a breeding ground for mosquitoes and flies, and

(c) if so the action Government propose to take in the matter and improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT) (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha

Vocational Education Courses in H S Schools, Delhi

2981 **SHRI MAHI LAL** Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state

(a) total number and names of Higher Secondary Schools and Plus two stage schools in Delhi separately,

(b) the number and names of those schools, out of them, which have introduced vocational educational courses with names thereof in each school,

(c) whether it is a fact that some of the Higher Secondary schools like A R Sanatan Dharam Higher Secondary School and Bansal Higher Secondary School etc situated in the Harijan and economically backward areas and rehabilitation colonies have not introduced vocational courses like typing

and short hand and instead have introduced much costly courses such as photography and fine arts which the poor and Harijan people cannot afford to take, and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (SHRI MATI RENUKA DEVI BARAKATAKI) (a) to (d) The information is being collected from Delhi Administration and will be placed on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

Irrigation Projects in West Bengal and North Eastern Region States

2962 **SHRI SACHINDRALAL SINGHA** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state,

(a) the irrigation projects completed and continuing in West Bengal and North Eastern Region States, State-wise and the area of land benefited or going to be benefited, State-wise,

(b) whether it is a fact that the cultivable land under irrigation in these States is much less than the average in the country,

(c) if so details of the steps taken by the State Governments and the Centre respectively in this regard, up-to-date, State wise and

(d) the result achieved State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA). (a) A statement is enclosed

(b) Percentage of irrigation potential created to the end of 1977-78 to gross cropped area is less than the all India average in all these States except West Bengal

(c) and (d) During the Mid-Term Plan 1978-83, various steps taken for

accelerating the pace of development of irrigation are as under:—

(i) Higher outlays for early completion of major/medium and minor irrigation sector;

(ii) Taking up of new schemes under the major/medium on-going schemes;

(iii) Maximum priority in the allocation of funds within the State Governments' resources, mobilising institutional investment from banks with the support of the ARDC and the World Bank to the maximum extent possible;

(iv) Systematic renovation and modernisation of existing irrigation systems;

(v) Conjunctive use of surface and ground waters and accelerated

irrigation development in drought areas; and

(vi) Setting up of Command Area Development Authorities and Monitoring Organisations.

Special emphasis is being paid on implementation of irrigation projects in the drought prone, tribal and backward areas and funds would be earmarked separately for these areas both for investigation and execution of the projects.

Survey and investigation work will be stepped up, especially in the North Eastern Region during the next few years so that projects are formulated for implementation immediately. These investigations would also help the States to put ground water exploitation on a more systematic and rational basis.

Statement

States	Major and Medium Irrigation Schemes				Minor Irrigation	
	Number of completed Schemes	Ultimate benefits (in thousand ha.)	Number of continuing schemes	Ultimate benefits (in thousand ha.)	Net Total irrigation potential created upto 1977-78 (in thousand ha. Tentative)	Target for additional irrigation potential to be created during 1978-85 (gross)
West Bengal	3	13'27	20	1431'73	1300	159
Assam	3	39'40	13	251'84	950	39
Manipur *	Nil	..	5	60'00	20	22
Meghalaya	Nil	..	Nil	..	12	5
Nagaland	Nil	..	Nil	..	35	6
Tripura	Nil	..	Nil	..	32	3
Arunachal Pradesh*	Nil	..	Nil	..	{ Union territories as a whole**	85
Mizoram*	Nil	..	Nil	..		

*Union Territories.

**The figures for Arunachal Pradesh and Mizoram are included in the Union Territories.