

**Sugarcane for Mills**

3771. SHRI S. A. DORAI SEBASTIAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the sugarcane cultivating States, sugarcane is purchased by the Gur manufacturers at Rs. 30/- per quintal at the door steps of cultivators, against the fixed price of Rs. 16/- per quintal.

(b) if so, how Government propose to ensure supply of sugarcane to sugar mills; and

(c) how Government propose to mop up the extra Rs. 14/- per quintal from Gur manufacturers since there is no excise duty also on Gur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN):

(a) to (c). For the current cane crushing season 1980-81, the Central Government has fixed the statutory minimum price of sugarcane payable by sugar factories at Rs. 13.00 per quintal linked to 8.5 per cent recovery. Considering the capacity of the factories to pay higher prices, the Prime Minister has advised the State Governments to ensure payment of a minimum actual price of Rs. 15.00 per quintal by all factories.

In response to this, factories in most of the States are paying prices much higher than the statutory minimum prices fixed for them. It is no doubt true that gur manufacturers, particularly, in Uttar Pradesh are offering high cane prices but with the remunerative prices being paid by mills and any realisations by mills to be shared under the Bhargava formula as additional cane price, should persuade cane growers to supply adequate quantities of cane to the mills. At any rate, gur being in the uncontrolled cottage industry sector, the question of mopping up the extra cane price paid is not considered feasible or necessary.

**Agricultural and Rural Reconstruction in West Bengal and Assam**

3772. DR. GOLAM YAZDANI: Will the Minister of RURAL RECONSTRUCTION be pleased to state the schemes of Government for the agricultural and Rural reconstruction of the States of West Bengal and Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM): A list is attached.

**Statement**

Name of the Central or Centrally Sponsored scheme/ programme.	Whether in operation (Yes) or Not (No) in		Central/Centrally Sponsored scheme/ programme
	West Bengal	Assam	
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**I AGRICULTURAL SCAEMES**

**(i) Agricultural extension & Training**

Improving the Professional competence of the State, Divisional and District Level Officers Working in the State Departments of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Horticulture etc.	Yes	Yes	Central
Concentrated subject-matter Refreshes courses for In-structresses and Mukhya Sevikas.	Yes	Yes	"
Stipend to Gramsevak for Higher Training Leading to B. Sc. degree	Yes	Yes	"

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Higher training of women personnel	Yes	Yes	Yes	Central
Exchange of progressive Farmers within and outside the country	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
<i>(ii) Agricultural statistics</i>				
Imporvement of irrigation statistics	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Agricultural census	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Agro-economic Research	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Comprehensive scheme for studying the cost of cultivation of principal crops	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Establishment of an agency for collection of Agricultural Statistics in Kerala, Orissa and West Bengal	Yes	No	No	Centrally sponsored
Improvement of Crop Statistics	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Timely Reporting of Estimates of Area and Production of Principal Crops	No	No	Yes	"
<i>(iii) Seed Development</i>				
Grants-in-aid to NSC for Establishment of Breedor and Foundation Seed Units	Yes	Yes	Yes	Central
Grants-in-aid to NSC for Training and Technical assistance under NSP	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Production of foundation seeds by NSC through Agricultural Universities	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
<i>(iv) Plant Protection</i>				
Control of insects, pests and weeds by biological means	No	No	Yes	"
Pests and disease surveillance	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Expansion of plant quarantine facilities	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Control and eradication of Pests and diseases of agricultural importance in endemic areas including weed control	Yes	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored
<i>(v) Agricultural Implements and Machinery</i>				
Training of agro-service entrepreneurs	Yes	Yes	No.	Central
<i>(vi) Crop oriented programmes</i>				
Miniket Programme for foodgrain crops.	Yes	Yes	No	Central
Intensive cotton district programme	Yes	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored
Intensive oil seeds programme	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Intensive Jute District Programme	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Development of pulses	Yes	Yes	Yes	"

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<i>(vii) Soil and Water Conservation</i>				
Soil conservation in the catchments of River Valley Projects . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored
Reclamation of Alkaline and Acidic lands . . . . .	No	Yes	Yes	„
<i>(viii) Animal Husbandry</i>				
Animal quarantine-cum-certification services . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Central
Regional Stations for Forage Production and Demonstration . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	„
Progeny Testing . . . . .	No	Yes	Yes	„
Rinderpest Eradication . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored
Foot and mouth Disease Control Programme . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	„
<i>(ix) Dairy Development</i>				
Operation Flood II . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Central
<i>(x) Fisheries</i>				
Costal Engineering Project—Pre-investment survey of Fishing Harbours . . . . .	Yes	No	No	Central
Landing and Berthing Facilities for Fishing Crafts at Major Ports . . . . .	Yes	No	No	Central
Pilot Project on Reservoir Fisheries under Technical assistance Components on Inland Fisheries Project with world Bank Assistance . . . . .	Yes	No	No	Central
Development of Aeculture—FFDA . . . . .	No	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored
Landing and Berthing Facilities for fishing crafts at Minor Ports . . . . .	Yes	No	No	„
Accelerated Programme of Establishment of Prawn hatcheries and Prawn farming in the Maritime States. . . . .	Yes	No	No	„
<i>(xi) Forestry</i>				
Forest survey of India . . . . .	No	Yes	Yes	Central
Logging Trainings Centres Project . . . . .	No	Yes	Yes	„
Lac cultivation . . . . .	No	Yes	Yes	„
Management of National Parks & Sanctuaries . . . . .	No	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored
Soil, water and tree conservation in the Himalayas . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	„
Project Tiger . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	„

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<b>(xii) Credit</b>				
Investment in the ordinary/special debentures of Central Land Development Banks . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Central
Agricultural Credit Stabilisation Fund . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored
Central assistance to the cadre fund for Reorganised Base-level Credit Institutions . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Central
<b>(xiii) Cooperation</b>				
Cooperative Marketing, processing, storage, etc. in under-Developed states (i) Marketing and (ii) Processing . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored
<b>(xiv) Other Schemes</b>				
Command Area Development Programme in selected - areas . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored
Integrated Action Plan for flood control in Ganga basin . . . . .	Yes	No	No	"
Strengthening of Ground and Surface Water Organisation (Minor irrigation) . . . . .	Yes	No	No	"
Establishment of grading centres at producers level . . . . .	Yes	No	No	"
Compulsory grading of edible oil and ground spices in Calcutta . . . . .	Yes	No	No	"
Scheme for Rural Markets and Wholesale Markets in Tribal/Hilly and backward areas . . . . .	Yes	No	No	"
Control of Brown Plant-hopper . . . . .	Yes	No	No	"
Control of Phalaris Minor in wheat field . . . . .	Yes	No	No	"
<b>II. RURAL RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAMMES/SCHEMES</b>				
Integrated Rural Development Programme . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	Centrally sponsored Programme
Small Farmers' Development Agency Programme (upto 1-10-1980 only) . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Drought Prone Areas Programme . . . . .	Yes	No	No	"
National Rural Employment Programme . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Development of selected Regulated Markets/Rural Markets . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Establishment of a National Grid of rural godowns . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Financial assistance to the new assignees of land declared surplus as a result of imposition of ceiling . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Training of youth for Self Employment Programme . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	"
Special Livestock Production Programme . . . . .	Yes	Yes	Yes	"