

Expenditure on ASIAD

84. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE: Will the Minister of SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount allocated for the expenditure on ASIAD including various construction projects and other special infrastructural facilities; and

(b) how much amount has already been spent so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) The overall estimates of expenditure to be borne by the Government as approved by it in November, 1980 for the Asian Games, 1982, was placed at Rs. 54.83 crores. A provision of Rs. 22.61 crores has been budgeted for this purpose during the current financial year.

According to the present indications, an additional sum of Rs. 7.21 crores is likely to be spent on the preparation for and conduct of Asian Games, 1982.

(b) The expenditure booked up to 31st August, 1982 is Rs. 39.06 crores.

Utilisation of IARI Scientists

85. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the scientists of IARI bearing basic qualification of one discipline are absorbed and made to work in different discipline, for which scientists in person and Government in terms of research output are suffering; and

(b) if so, the details of the remedial measures taken so far, particularly for the misadjusted scientists in regard to their qualification, to rectify the anomalies and to make year of productivity a real one?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) and (b). There are a few Scientists in Indian Agricultural Research Institute who are working in some divisions in a discipline which is slightly different from their basic qualifications. However, such scientists are either transferred to the relevant discipline as and when vacancies arise in that discipline or they are provided with Research Projects which are normally based on the discipline of the Scientist concerned in whatever division he may be posted to work. For the purpose of 5 yearly assessment the actual work entrusted to a Scientist is taken into account and not only the discipline to which he belongs. It is, therefore, not correct to say that any Scientist in person or Government in terms of Research output are suffering.

Cadre Strength of Pulse Improvement Project of IARI at Kanpur

86. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the cadre strength of Pulse Improvement Project, Kanpur (IARI Regional Station) at present; and

(b) number of posts of scientific cadre under different disciplines sanctioned upto date in this project and details of the scientists, discipline-wise, posted in these posts upto date, alongwith the posts still vacant upto date, post-wise, discipline-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) and (b). A statement giving the required information is attached.