THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, SPORTS AND WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) The total plan allocation of funds at the centre on promotion of Sports in the country during the Sixth Five Year Plan Period is Rs. 1075 lakhs. This does not include the allocation of Rs. 125 lakhs kept for Physical Education.

- (b) The total expenditure on Asian Games booked upto 15-2-83 in the Department of Sports is Rs. 51.02 crores.
- (c) Special Organising Committee IX Asian Games had earned Rs. 5.84 crores upto 31-1-83.
- (d) According to present indications, the total expenditure on Asian Games is likely to be of the order of Rs. 67 crores.
- (e) The Asiad stadia will remain available to sportsmen and women for a long time to come. The Delhi Development Authority is expected to ensure continued utility of the Asiad Village Complex.
- (f) The expenditure incurred on IX

 Asian Games is mainly on the creation of infra-structure and other facilities and are intended to be utilised for promotion of Sports in the country. They are not in the nature of commercial ventures. The question of recovery of the expenditure incurred by Government on Asiad does not, therefore, arise.

Proposals from States for Central Assistance for development of Selected Regulated Markets

58. SHRI SHANTUBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOP-MENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of proposals received from various States for Central Assistance for development of Selected Regulated Markets in 1981-82;
- (b) the number of proposals approved for each State and the number pending as of today;

- (c) State-wise distribution of funds for Regulated Markets during each of the last three years; and
- (d) the number of Regulated Markets developed as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOP-MENT (SHRI HARINATHA MISRA): (a) and (b). The information State-wise regarding the number of proposals received for grant of central assistance under the scheme for development of selected regulated markets and the number of proposals approved during the year 1981-82 is given in the statement at Annexure-I laid on the table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-5792 [83]. The proposals which did not meet the requirements of the scheme were returned the concerned State Governments. No proposal of the year 1981-82 is pending with this Ministry.

(c) and (d). As at Annexure-II—laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT—5792 83].

State-wise villagers facing drinking water problems

- 59. SHRI JAI NARAYAN ROAT: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that tribal areas are facing drinking water problem; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN-TARY AFFAIRS. SPORTS AND WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) and (b). The programme for the supply of drinking water administered by this Ministry covers problem villages in all Parts of the country including tribal areas. According to the data received from the State Governments, there were about 2.31 lakhs problem villages in the country as on 1st April, 1980. Problem villages are those which suffer from chronic scarcity or with unsafe sources of water. The problem villages are spread over all areas including tribal belts.