

lakhs for this programme during 1968-69, the break-up of which is as under :—

(A) *Schemes of the Rural Engineering Organisation.*

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| (1) Flow irrigation schemes. | — | Rs. 81.00 lakhs |
| (2) Survey and Investigation | — | Rs. 14.00 lakhs |
| (B) <i>Schemes of the lift Irrigation Directorate.</i> | | |
| (1) Construction of deep tube-wells | | Rs. 4.00 lakhs |
| (2) Construction of Shallow Tube wells | | Rs. 3.00 lakhs |
| (3) River pumping units | | Rs. 17.00 lakes |
| (4) Mobile pumping units | | Rs. 2.00 lakhs |
| (5) Ground water Survey | | Rs. 4.00 lakhs |
| (6) Investigation | | Rs. 3.00 lakhs |
| (7) Tool and appliances | | Rs. 2.00 lakhs |

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| TOTAL : | | Rs. 130.00 lakhs |
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(c) and (d). The information is being collected from the State Government and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha on receipt.

100 KW Transmitter for Dibrugarh (Assam)

5900. SHRI B. K. DACHOWDHURY : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken any decision to have a 100 KW transmitter in Dibrugarh in Assam to improve AIR broadcasting in the areas of NEFA and northern region of Assam ;

(b) if so, when it will be installed ; and

(c) the approximate cost to be incurred over it ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The transmitter had already been commissioned with effect from 15th February, 1969.

(c) Rs. 36 lakhs approximately.

Delay in Supplying Motor Boats to Fishermen

5901. DR. M. SANTOSHAM : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the reasons for delay in supplying motor boats to the very large number of fishermen who are willing to purchase them to take up to modern deep-sea fishing ;

(b) whether Government are hopeful of solving this problem ; and

(c) if so, how and when ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAIHB SHINDE) : (a) Mechanized boats are issued on a hire purchase basis to fishermen. The programme is supported by subsidies as well as loans and is drawn up for each State with reference to the resources which can be allocated for the purpose.

(b) and (c). During the Fourth Five Year Plan, increased assistance is expected to be available for the programme from institutionalized finance. A number of schemes are under examination for financing by the Agricultural Refinance Corporation. Three Schemes, two in Mysore and one in Tamil Nadu, involving loan assistance to the extent of Rs. 146.88 lakhs have already been approved. Adequate indigenous capacity is being developed to meet the anticipated requirements of marine diesel engines during the Fourth Five-Year Plan.

All-India Veterinary Council

5902. DR. M. SANTOSHAM : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any move to from an All-India Veterinary Council on the same pattern and to serve similar purpose as the All-India Medical Council ; and

(b) if so, the reasons for the inordinate delay ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Tripartite Machinery to Review the Incidents of Retrenchment in West Bengal

5903. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether a tri-partite machinery to review the incidents of retrenchments has recently been set up in West Bengal ;

(b) if so, the names of Central Trade Unions represented on this machinery ;

(c) what are the tasks of this machinery ;

(d) how this machinery is expected to arrive at decisions ; and

(e) what are the rights of this machinery ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD) : (a) to (e). The matter falls in the State sphere.

Production, Procurement and Distribution of Foodgrains

5904. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the final estimate of foodgrain production in India and in each State during 1967-68 and 1968-69, cerealwise ;

(b) the quantity of cereal in tonnes procured and distributed in India and in each State during 1967-68 and 1968-69 ;

(c) the value and volume of import of cereals during 1967-68 and 1968-69 ;

(d) the target of cereals production for 1969-70 ;

(e) the target of imports of cereals during 1969-70 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) A statement showing final estimates of foodgrains production in each State during the agricultural year 1967-68 is given in Annexure-I laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See No. LT-680/169*] Similar estimates for the agricultural year 1968-69 are not yet available.

(b) A statement showing quantity of foodgrains purchased internally and that of foodgrains both indigenous and imported distributed through Government channels during financial years 1967-68 and 1968-69 (upto February 1969) is given in Annexure-II laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in library. See No. LT-680/69*] Figures for March, 1969 are not yet available.

(c) :

| Year | Quantity imported (in lakh tonnes) | Estimated C&F value (in crores of rupees) |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 1067-68 | 81.92 | 503.1 |
| 1968-69 (Upto February, 1969) | 48.61 | 313.8 |

(d) The target of foodgrains production for 1966-70 has not yet been finalised.

(e) It is proposed to import about 5.2 million tonnes of foodgrains during 1969-70.

Changes in Daily Programme of A.I.R.

5905. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND