

about the total amount spent, and likely to be spent on this College.

[Translation]

Terrorism in North-Eastern States

1093. SHRI AJIT JOGI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have made any agreement with Bangladesh to deal with terrorism in North-Eastern States;

(b) if so, the details of the factors responsible for the increase in terrorists activities in North-Eastern States; and

(c) the extent to which terrorism in this region is likely to be restrained after signing agreement with Bangladesh ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI) : (a) to (c) No formal agreement has been entered into by the Government of India with the Government of Bangladesh to combat terrorism in the North Eastern States. However, institutional arrangements have been put in place with the Government of Bangladesh for dialogue and cooperation on security matters. These include : (a) meetings of Home Secretaries of the two countries; (b) establishment of Joint Working Group to examine in depth, all outstanding issues and to recommend practical measures for resolving them; (c) regular between Bangladesh Rifles and Border Security Force.

Certain States in the N.E. have varying degrees of Militancy and terrorism. The positive attitude of new Bangladesh Government is likely to lead to denial of base and transit facilities to the insurgents in Bangladesh and this is expected to improve the security scenario in the North Eastern States.

[English]

Quota of Mid-day Meal

1094. SHRI FAGGAR SINGH KULESTE : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of foodgrains quota allocated to States/Union Territories for mid-day meal during each of the last three years;

(b) the number of students benefited indicating the impact of the scheme and the expenditure involved;

(c) whether the entire allotted quota provided to all the districts of Madhya Pradesh every month; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor indicating the time by which it is likely to be provided ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PAL SINGH YADAV) : (a) The quantity of foodgrains allotted to States and UTs under the mid-day meal Scheme since its inception is as follows :

Year	(In Lakh MTs)
1995-96	7.13
1996-97	15.86
1997-98	25.68

(b) According to available information about 9.80 crore children in primary classes would be covered by the Scheme during 1998-99 for which an amount of Rs. 1092.15 crore has been provided. Several States have indicated a favourable impact on enrolment and attendance of children particularly girls and those belonging to the disadvantaged sections of the Society.

(c) and (d) Allocations of foodgrains to States indicating district-wise allocation also are made on an annual basis at the beginning of each financial year. During 1997-98, 2.22 lakh MTs of foodgrains were allotted to Madhya Pradesh under the Scheme, of which 1.61 lakh MTs was lifted from FCI depots.

[Translation]

Primary Health Centre

1095. SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the Primary Health Centres run by the Union Government in Bihar; and

(b) whether the Government propose to open more Primary health Centres during the Ninth Five Year Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI) : (a) The Primary Health Centres are being administered directly by the respective State Governments and not by the union Government. As per the Data Available, a wide net work of about 2209 Primary Health Centres are functioning in Bihar State.

(b) It has been ascertained that the Planning Commission has not yet received any proposal for opening new Primary Health Centres from the State Government of Bihar.