

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH) : (a) The Technology Mission on Dairy Development (TMDD) was launched by the Government of India in the year 1988.

(b) The Technology Mission on Dairy Development (TMDD) has been introduced in the following sixteen states :

Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal and Pondicherry

(c) The progress made in the annual milk production in these States/Union Territory from 1987-88 to 1994-95 is as follows :

Provisional Estimates of Milk Production

(Thousand tonnes)		
State/UT	87-88	94-95
1. Andhra Pradesh	2807	4221
2. Bihar	2648	3250
3. Goa	25	31
4. Gujarat	2997	3650
5. Haryana	2558	4062
6. Himachal Pradesh	478	655
7. Karnataka	2189	3003
8. Madhya Pradesh	4272	5160
9. Maharashtra	2657	4811
10. Orissa	423	585
11. Punjab	4365	6215
12. Rajasthan	3911	4850
13. Tamil Nadu	3109	3694
14. Uttar Pradesh	8595	11321
15. West Bengal	2664	3240
16. Pondicherry	26	31
Total	43724	58779

To enhance the overall productivity of the dairy sector and increase the returns to the farmers, the Mission identified 28 research programmes covering animal breeding, feeding and management, product and process technology etc. and assigned them to the National Research Institutes, Agricultural Universities and NDDB. Twenty projects have been completed and other are progressing satisfactorily.

[Translation]

Barauni Fertilizer Plant

*99 SHRI SHATRUGHAN PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the condition of Barauni Fertilizer Plant has completely deteriorated;

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government for its reconstruction and revival; and

(c) the time by which these are to be implemented?

THE MINISTER STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) to (c). The capacity utilisation of the Barauni Unit of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd. (HFC) has been low on account of frequent equipment breakdowns, design deficiencies, prolonged power cuts, ageing of the plant and constraints in the availability of raw materials and other inputs.

2. HFC as a company, including its Barauni unit, stands referred to the Board for Industrial & Financial Reconstruction (BIFR). The revival package for HFC, approved in principle by the Government in April 1995, inter-alia, envisaged the limited revamp of the Barauni unit. The funding arrangement for the fresh investment required for this package (Rs. 464.93 crore) could not be tied up. It has been decided to reformulate the revival package for HFC so as to make it acceptable to Financial Institutions. The final revival package would require the approval of BIFR, which is a quasi-judicial authority. In the meantime, the production in the Barauni unit is being sustained by extending budgetary support to HFC.

[English]

Production of Fertilizers

*100 DR. G R SARODE : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether production of fertilizers has declined during the last three years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to increase the production of fertilizers; and

(d) the details of the profit or loss incurred by each of the fertilizer unit during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) and (b) The production of fertilizer nutrients since 1992-93 is given below

(In Lakh Tonnes)

Year	Nitrogen	Phosphate
1992-93	74.30	23.06
1993-94	72.31	18.16
1994-95	79.45	24.93
1995-96	87.77	25.58

During 1992-93, as a result of decontrol, the prices of phosphatic fertilizers rose sharply, leading to a decline in the consumption and production of phosphatic