

schemes are being incorporated into comprehensive project on cattle and buffalo breeding proposed to be implemented during 9th Plan to improve the functional efficiency of breeding programmes, and upgradation of the AI system.

5. The Government of India has since proposed a scheme for organising 25,000 village level Dairy Cooperative Societies (DCS) in the Operation Flood Districts but in the areas not actually covered in Operation Flood with a total provision of Rs. 50.00 crores for 9th plan and Rs. 4.00 crores for 1998-99.

Further, the Government is already implementing a Central Sector Plan Scheme IDDP in Non Operation Flood, Hilly and Backward Areas which envisages setting up of about 7900 village level DCS out of which over 4000 DCS have been organised upto 31.03.98.

6. The proposed Central Sector Plan Scheme "Assistance to Cooperatives" which aims at rehabilitation of milk cooperative unions has been prepared, and is now to be posed to Expenditure Finance Committee for consideration after seeking the convenience of Secretary Expenditure.
7. (i) The Department formulated a scheme to support various State Poultry Cooperative Federations and other organisations during 9th Plan. The Scheme was however not favoured by Planning Commission.

(ii) A scheme for establishment of Sheep/Goat Development Board has been launched during 9th Plan for accelerating the growth of the sector.

8. A scheme is being formulated in consultation with GIC and State Govts. Cover non scheme animals of poor farmers at subsidised premium rates. A plan outlay of Rs. 5 crores has been earmarked under the scheme.
9. The Department of AH&D formulated a scheme for development of regulated markets during 9th Plan. The Planning Commission has however not supported the scheme.

10. The 9th plan proposal on privatisation of veterinary services was dropped in accordance with the recommendation of the conference for State Ministers.

11. Disease Free Zone is one of the sub-components of the ongoing Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Assistance to States for Control of Animal diseases.

A separate project on 'Disease Free Zone' with a view to control inter alia foot and mouth disease and rinderpest has already been approved by the Planning Commission for implementation during the Ninth Plan period. A budget provision of Rs. 50 lakhs has been made for this project during 1998-99.

[English]

Central Ground Water Board

4220. SHRI NRIPEN GOSWAMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Ground Water Board has conducted any survey to identify dependable source of water in the tribal areas of North-East;

(b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to develop ground water resources in these areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) and (b) The Central Ground Water Board has conducted survey and exploration to assess the availability of ground water in various parts, including tribal areas, of the North-East States of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Tripura. As per the assessment made by the Board, the total replenishable ground water resources in the North-East States is as indicated below:—

States/Union Territories	Total replenishable ground water resource (m.ha. m/yr)
1	2
1. Arunachal Pradesh	0.14385
2. Assam	2.47192

	1	2
3. Manipur		0.31540
4. Meghalaya		0.05397
5. Mizoram	Not Assessed	
6. Nagaland		0.07240
7. Tripura		0.06634

(c) Water being state-subject, development of ground water is the responsibility of the State Government.

Major and Medium Irrigation Projects

4221. SHRI MUKUL VASNIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Major, Medium and Extension, Renovation and Modernisation (ERM) irrigation projects in the country at present, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government have drawn up any plan to ensure early completion of the projects;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the funds released under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) and Command Area Development Programme (CADP), during the current financial year, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) The Statewise details of on-going Major, Medium Irrigation Projects in the country is given in the enclosed statement.

(b) and (c) Irrigation being a State subject, irrigation projects are executed by the State Governments themselves from their own resources as per their own priorities.

(d) During the current year, so far, no releases have been made under AIBP and CADA programmes.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of State	Major Projects	Medium Projects	ERM Projects
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	12	20	5
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	—	—	—
3.	Assam	4	9	4
4.	Bihar	16	29	5
5.	Goa	2	1	—
6.	Gujarat	9	9	8