

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA): (a) Government of Bihar has reported that the cropped area to the extent of 1.46 lakh ha. in 18 districts of the State was affected by recent hailstorm.

(b) and (c). Government of Bihar has not yet furnished the compiled Yield Data for Rabi, 1989-90 to General Insurance Corporation for processing the indemnity claims.

[English]

Funds of Kerala for Community Development and Panchayats

8092. SHRI T. BASHEER: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated to Kerala for community development and panchayats during 1989-90;

(b) the amount spent and the achievements made in that sector in the State;

(c) the annual plan outlay for Kerala for 1990-91 for the same;

(d) whether Kerala Government have submitted any schemes or projects in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA): (a) There is no programme under the Central Government's Plan for community de-

velopment and panchayats. However, from 1989-90, the new Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) envisages allocation of funds to Gram Panchayats calling upon them to choose schemes for the benefit of the community. Under the JRY, 80% of the funds are provided by the Central Government and 20% by the State Government. For the year 1989-90, an amount of Rs. 65.7 crores was allotted to Kerala.

(b) On the basis of reports furnished by the State Government so far, an expenditure of Rs. 64.6 crores has been incurred and 231.79 lakh mandays have been generated during 1989-90 under JRY.

(c) The annual plan outlay for Kerala for 1990-91 for JRY is Rs. 63.9 crores.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Cotton Production

8093. SHRI Y.S. RAJA SEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the cotton production during the last three years, year-wise; and

(b) the increase in production and yield per hectare, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA): (a) and (b). A statement showing production and yield per hectare of cotton during the last three years i.e. 1986-87 to 1988-89 State-wise is annexed.