

Scheme for Tribal Farmers Affected by Natural Calamities

6625. SHRI BASAVAPUNNAIAH SINGAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government provide any assistance under any scheme to tribal farmers affected by natural calamities; and

(b) if so, whether assistance for payment of minimum wages under employment generation programme, agriculture in-put subsidy and assistance for cattle conservation are included in the Schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR):

(a) and (b). Central assistance for various items including for payment of minimum wages under employment generation programmes, agricultural input subsidy and assistance for cattle conservation in the wake of natural calamities is extended to the affected farmers as per Central norms without making distinction between the tribal and non-tribal farmers.

Implementation of Operation Flood Projects In Kerala

6626. SHRI T. BASHEER: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the results and achievements of the implementation of Operation Flood projects in Kerala during the last two years;

(b) the financial assistance given by National Dairy Development Board to Kerala during that period; and

(c) the action plan proposed by the National Dairy Development Board under Operation Flood programme in Kerala?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR):

(a) Achievements of the implementation of Operation Flood in Kerala under key parameters during the last two years are given in table below:—

<i>Key Parameters</i>	<i>Cumulative Achievements as on</i>	
	<i>Dec., 1987</i>	<i>Dec., 1989</i>
i) Dairy Cooperative Societies organised	773	887
ii) Farmer Members ('000)	132.15	183.52
iii) Milk procurement (Lakh Kg. per Day)	1.73	2.18
iv) Milk processing capacity (Lakh Ltrs. per Day)	2.20	3.76
v) Milk Marketing (Lakh Litres Per Day)	1.64	1.85

(b) Financial Assistance of Rs. 396.8 lakh (provisional) has been provided to the Kerala Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (KCMMF) during the last two years (1988-89 and 1989-90).

(c) The KCMMF has not yet sent their Annual Action Plans beyond 1990 to the National Dairy Development Board.

Provision of Telephone Connection

6627. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of telephone connections provided so far in each State/ Union Territory todate;

(b) by when, the persons registered in 1989 for telephone connections in South Delhi are likely to be provided with telephones;

(c) the position regarding availability of telephone instruments and spares as against total demand in the country; and

(d) which are the companies engaged in manufacturing of telephone instruments in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) The information is given in the attached statement I.

(b) It is proposed to clear the waiting list of South Delhi as on 31.12.1989 during the 8th Five Year Plan progressively subject to availability of equipment.

(c) Adequate quantity of telephone instruments and spares is available to meet the demand.

(d) A statement II giving the information is attached.

STATEMENT

<i>Sl.No.</i>	<i>Name of State/Union Territory</i>	<i>Telephone connections provided upto 31.3.90</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>
1.	Andhra Pradesh	313150
2.	Assam	37707
3.	Bihar	97141
4.	Gujarat	422543
5.	Haryana	91351
6.	Himachal Pradesh	29392
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	*27399
8.	Kerala	229892