

in Punjab 170 tubewells were lying idle although farmers of the State were themselves anxious to get more irrigation facilities.

Concluding, the Minister made a fervent appeal to Punjab farmers to raise their production to meet, at least 25 percent of India's deficiency of 20 lakh tons of food grains by producing five lakh tons more this year.

UJJAIN KRISHAK SAMAJ BUILDING

Dr. K.N. Katju, Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh laid the foundation stone of the building of District Krishak Samaj, Ujjain (Madhya Pradesh) on February 8. Shri Takhatmal Jain, State Minister for Agriculture presided over the function.

The building will house the office of the District Krishak Samaj and a library for the farmers. It is the outcome of the efforts of Shri Murlidhar Singh President, District Krishak Samaj and his enthusiastic co-workers. The building is being built on a 3,000 sq. ft. plot of land in the Chimanganj Mandi of Ujjain. It will be built at a cost of Rs. 30,000.

KERALA FARMERS' CONVENTION

The Kerala State Farmers' Forum held the second Convention of Farmers of the State on February 15 and 16. Shri C. Thomas, Secretary to the Government presided at the plenary session of the Convention. The Convention was held at Beasant Hall, Alleppey and gave an opportunity to the farmers of the State to meet each other and the officers and to find out ways and means to improve the agricultural production in the State.

Alongwith the Convention a Cattle show was held by the Animal Husbandry Department of the State. The meeting made several recommendations regarding fertilizers, soil, pests and diseases, irrigation, seeds, price and cost of production, animal husbandry, N.E.S. and the advancement of cooperation in agricultural field.

BURDWAN FARMERS' CONVENTION

The Annual Convention of the District Krishak Samaj, Burdwan (W. Bengal) was held at Agricultural Farm, Suata on February 15 and 16, 1958. Along with the District Farmers' Convention an Agricultural Exhibition

FOURTH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF FARMERS

March 14 to 19, 1958

Programme

Friday, March 14, 1958.

7-00 A.M.
10-00 A.M. to 1-00 P.M.
3-00 P.M. to 6-00 P.M.
7-00 P.M.

Registration of Delegates begins.
Seminar on—"Krishak Samaj in Agricultural Extension."
Seminar continued.
Opening of the Exhibition.

Saturday, March 15, 1958.

9-00 A.M. to 1-00 P.M.
3-00 P.M. to 6-00 P.M.

Statewise meetings of the Delegates.
Inauguration of the Convention by Prime Minister Shri Jawaharlal Nehru.
Constitution of the Commissions.

Sunday, March 16, 1958.

9-00 A.M. to 1-00 P.M.
3-00 P.M. to 6-00 P.M.

Meeting of the Commissions on :
(i) Agriculture and Animal Husbandry
—do—

Monday, March 17, 1958.

9-00 A.M. to 1-00 P.M.
3-00 P.M. to 6-00 P.M.

—do—
(ii) Co-operation and Marketing

Tuesday, March 18, 1958.

9-00 A.M. to 1-00 P.M.
3-00 P.M. to 6-00 P.M.

—do—
(iii) Finance and Organisation

Wednesday, March 19, 1958.

9-00 A.M. to 1-00 P.M.
3-00 P.M. to 6-00 P.M.

Meeting of the All India Farmers' Council
Plenary Session of the Convention.

was also held. Dr. R. Ahmed, Minister of Agriculture, West Bengal presided over the Convention.

BULANDSHAHAH DISTRICT FARMERS' CONVENTION

The District Krishak Samaj, Bulandshahar (U.P.) held its second Convention on February 18 on the occasion of the District Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition. Dr. P.S. Deshmukh, President of the Bharat Krishak Samaj inaugurated the Convention. A large number of farmers of the district were present on the occasion.

MYSORE FARMERS' FORUM

The Mysore Farmers' Forum will hold the second Convention of State Farmers on February 22 and 23 at Hassen in which representatives of farmers from all taluks and districts of the State will participate. The Convention will be inaugurated by Dr. P. S. Deshmukh, Union Minister for Co-

operation, and Shri Rudrappa, Minister of Agriculture, Mysore will preside over it.

The subjects to be discussed in the Convention will include, organisation of Krishak Samaj, cereals and pulses, fruits and vegetables, dairying and animal husbandry.

YAWAL KRISHAK SAMAJ MEETING

The District Krishak Samaj, Yawal (Bombay) is holding the Annual Conference of the farmers of the district on February 24. Shri K.D. Sharma, Secretary, Bharat Krishak Samaj will preside over the Conference. The meeting will discuss the agricultural problems of the farmers of Yawal district.

NARSINGHPUR DISTRICT CONVENTION

The District Krishak Samaj, Narsinghpur (M.P.) is holding a convention of district farmers on March 1 and 2. The Agriculture Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Shri Takhatmal Jain will inaugurate the Convention.