

- (i) the protection of crops, fruits, trees and plants against disease;
- (j) providing credit and other facilities for irrigation and agricultural development;
- (k) increasing the area of land under irrigation by construction and repair of wells, digging and repairs of private ponds by undertaking minor irrigation works and by supervision of field channels;
- (l) providing for the timely and equitable distribution and full use of water available under irrigation schemes.

7. In the sphere of Animal Husbandry-

- (a) improving cattle breed by introduction of stud bulls,
- (b) by castration of stray bullocks and establishing and maintaining artificial insemination centres;
- (b) introducing improved breeds of cattle, sheep, poultry etc. giving grants therefor and maintenance of small breeding centres.
- (c) controlling and checking infectious diseases;
- (d) introducing improved grass and cattle feeds and providing for their storage;
- (e) starting and maintaining first-aid centre and veterinary dispensaries;
- (f) providing for milk supply;
- (g) solving the problem of stray cattle.

8. In the sphere of Village and Small Scale Industries-

To promote cottage, village and small-scale industries with a view to providing increased employment and raising peoples standard of living and especially-

- (a) to establish and maintain production and training centres;
- (b) to improve the skills of artisans;
- (c) to popularise improved implements;
- (d) to ensure the implementation of schemes of Cottage, Village & Small Scale Industries run by the Khadi & Village Industries