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Proper preparations, both of actual farm work and of party work, must be undertaken for the spring planting campaign. In 1951, such preparations were often made too late, as was the case in Lushnje District, which failed to meet either its planting or its harvest objectives.

The local governmental organs are behind in their task of making provisions for the distribution of manure and fertilizer, deep plowing, the reaulation of the water distribution system, the selection and preparation of seems, and the repair and preparation of tools and equipment.

According to information released by the Ministry of Agriculture, preparations for spring plowing are behind schedule. Up to 21 January 1952, only 25.5 percent of the deep plowing program has been fulfilled, instead of the projected 80 percent, and only 38.6 percent of the deep plowing program for cotton. Sarande and Elbasan districts are the farthest behind in the deep plowing program. The agriculture sections for the people's councils in these districts are responsible for this situation because of their failure to take proper measures. In addition, the MTS of Elbasan District and elsewhere have not done their part in providing sufficient aid for the deep plowing program.

The executive committees of the people's councils must take proper steps during February to insure the success of the deep plowing program, and must pay special attention to the greater utilization of MTS motor power. In the distribution of manure and fertilizers it must be kept in mind that preference is to be accorded the industrial crops -- cotton, sugar beet, and tobacco -while distribution for corn has a lower priority. It is necessary also to stress the importance of cleaning stubble from corn fields and old cotton plants from cotton fields, to reduce the damage which corn and cotton insects have been causing to the yields in recent years.

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The people's councils must organize collectively the distribution and delivery of certified seeds from the various depots.

The MTS must pay more attention to the repair and upkeep of their tractors and machinery.

Finally, a continuous struggle must be maintained against sabotage by kulaks.

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