

of manures and fertilizers, prepared by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research and recommended to the State Governments, has been given effect to by the various State Governments; and

(b) whether the results of such experiments have been published for general information?

**The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh):** (a) The Model agronomic (including manurial) experiments are to be undertaken from Rabi 1954 at 34 centres in the States of Andhra, Assam, Bihar, Bombay, Madhya Pradesh, Madhya Bharat, Madras, Orissa, Punjab, U.P., West Bengal, Hyderabad, Rajasthan, Saurashtra, Travancore-Cochin, Pepsu, Bhopal, Coorg, Mysore, Vindhya Pradesh and Kashmir. Preliminary arrangements for location of sites etc. are under way.

(b) Does not arise.

**Shri S. N. Das:** May I know, Sir, whether in carrying out the scheme the various States were given any Central grant, and if so, what was the amount?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** Sir, the scheme was sanctioned by the governing body of the ICAR at a cost of Rs. 5 lakhs to be incurred till 31st March, 1956. The entire expenditure will be met by them.

#### EXPORT OF RICE

\*219. **Shri Dabhi:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that rice is being exported to other countries; and

(b) if so, how much rice has been exported during the current year and to which countries?

**The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh):** (a) Government have allowed export of rice to foreign countries. Traders can now purchase rice from the free market and arrange its export after payment of export duty.

(b) No rice has been exported up to 31st July, as the new arrangement was notified only on 24th July.

**Shri Dabhi:** May I know whether the policy of the export of rice is due to the abundance of rice in the country?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** It is due to the abundance of rice as well as our desire for maintenance of our previous market.

#### WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

##### MEDICAL STUDENTS ABROAD

\*202. **Shri S. K. Razmi:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the number of medical students sent abroad for higher studies at Government expense during the years 1951-52 and 1952-53 respectively;

(b) the number of medical students reading in London at present; and

(c) the number of post-graduate medical students in London and other countries?

**The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur):** (a) No medical student was sent abroad for higher studies at Government expense during these years.

(b) and (c). It is presumed that (b) and (c) relate to students mentioned in (a). If so in view of reply to (a), (b) and (c) do not arise.

##### LIVE-STOCK

\*204. **Ch. Raghubir Singh:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in order to improve the quality of live-stock, Government have supplied a number of bulls to the various States; and

(b) if so, the total number of bulls so far supplied; and

(c) how many of them have been supplied to U.P.?