

out regular checks on the quality and quantity of milk sold through its booths;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether spilled over milk are resold by DMS;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken to augment the supply of DMS milk in the evenings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. On an average per month about 2500 samples are tested for checking the quality and about 10,500 samples are tested for checking the quantity of milk sold through the Bulk Milk Vending Booths of Mother Dairy.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The question does not arise.

(e) Significant augmentation of the supply of DMS milk in the evening would be possible after the proposed capacity expansion during the Eighth Five Year Plan materialises.

Allotment of Petrol Pumps, LPG Agencies to Unemployed Youth

1232. SHRI RAJNATH SONKAR SHASTRI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 165 on January 8, 1991 and state:

(a) whether the information regarding the number of unemployed graduates who were allotted petrol pumps and LPG agencies during the last one year has been collected;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of SCs/STs who were allotted petrol pumps and agencies during the last three years;

(d) the details of the requests of the

unemployed graduates pending with the Ministry for the allotment of petrol pumps and LPG agencies till date; and

(e) the steps taken to expedite the action thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b). During the year 1990-91 10 petrol/diesel retail outlets and 9 LPG distributorships were allotted to Unemployed Graduates.

(c) Petrol/Diesel retail outlets - 229
LPG distributorships - 103

(d) and (e). No such records are maintained by the Government.

[Translation]

Support Price for Agricultural Commodities

1233. SHRI BALRAJ PASSI:
SHRI M.V.V.S. MURTHI:
SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA
RAO VADDE:
SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have announced the minimum support price for sugarcane and other agricultural commodities for 1991-92 season;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the date by which the revised support price will come into effect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (c). The Government have announced minimum support prices for the 1991-92 marketing season as per details given below:

STATEMENT

Sl. No.	Crop	Variety	Marketing Year 1991-92	Procurement/Minimum Support Price (Rs./quintal)
1.	Wheat	FAQ	April-March	225
2.	Barley	FAQ	-do-	200
3.	Gram	FAQ	-do-	450
4.	Rapeseed/Mustard	FAQ	-do-	600
5.	Safflower	FAQ	-do-	575
6.	Toria	FAQ	-do-	570
7.	Paddy	Common	Oct.-Sept.	230
8.	Jowar, Bajra, Ragi	FAQ	-do-	205
9.	Maize	FAQ	-do-	210
10.	Groundnut-in-shell	FAQ	-do-	645
11.	Soyabean	Yellow	-do-	445
		Black	-do-	395
12.	Sunflower Seed	FAQ	-do-	670

Sl. No.	Crop	Variety	Marketing Year 1991-92	Procurement/Minimum Support Price (Rs./quintal)
13.	Cotton	F-414/H. 777	-do-	695
		H-4	-do-	840
14.	Jute	TD-5	Oct.-Sept.	375
15.	Tobacco (Rs. per Kg.)	F-2	-do-	14.75
		L-2	-do-	16.00
16.	Copra	FAQ Milling	1991 (Jan.-Dec.)	1700
		FAQ Ball	-do-	1850
17.	Sugarcane* (Statutory Minimum Price) (SMP)		Oct. Sept.	24.00

*Linked to a basic recovery of 8.5 per cent with a proportionate premium of every 0.1% above that level. It may, however be noted that the revision of the SMP is under consideration.