

PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT OF FOODGRAINS

281. Shri N. L. Joshi: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of foodgrains produced in each of the States of India during the last four years and the amount of foodgrains procured by Government during that period;

(b) the quantity of foodgrains distributed in each of the States under the control system during the last four years;

(c) the amount of foodgrains produced in each State in 1952, up to the month of May, and the amount procured by Government during that period; and

(d) the quantity of foodgrains distributed in each of these States under the system of control during the year 1952, up to the month May?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Karmarkar): (a) and (c). A statement showing production and procurement of foodgrains in the various States in India during the years 1948 to 1952 is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 40].

(b) and (d). A statement showing the issues of foodgrains from Governments' stocks in the various States in India during the years 1948 to 1952 is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 41].

FAIRS AT CHITRAKUT

282. Shri M. L. Dwivedi: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the number of persons who have been killed, injured, or harmed otherwise during the fortnightly fairs of Chittrakut due to over-crowdedness of trains between Banda and Manikpur stations in the Jhansi-Manikpur section of the Central Railway during the years 1948—1951?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): No person was killed, injured or harmed otherwise during the fortnightly fairs of Chittrakut due to overcrowding in the trains between Banda and Manikpur stations on the Manikpur-Jhansi Section of the Central Railway during the years 1948 to 1951.

MILU

283. Pandit D. N. Tiwary: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of milo procured internally and imported into India in the year 1952 (upto May);

(b) the percentage of the offtake of milo from Government Godowns of various States (compared to the offtake of other foodgrains) for the months January to May 1951 and 1952; and

(c) the condition of milo stocked in Government Godowns of various States?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Karmarkar):

(a) The grain akin to milo grown in India is Jowar. The quantity of Jowar procured internally in India during the period 1st January 1952 to 31st May 1952 was about 373,000 tons and the quantity of milo imported from overseas during the same period was 361,000 tons.

(b) and (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 42].

RAILWAY WAGONS AND COACHES

284. Shri Badshah Gupta: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the annual capacity for manufacturing railway wagons and coaches of the various Indian Workshops; and

(b) the Centres of training for the aforesaid workshops, if any?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) The present annual manufacturing capacity in the country is about 6000 wagons and about 670 coaches.

(b) Attention of the hon. Member is invited to reply to parts (a) to (c) of Starred Question No. 59 asked in the House of the People on 20th May 1952.

SUGAR MILLS IN BIHAR

285. Shri Anirudha Sinha: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Sugar Mills in the Tirhoot Division of the State of Bihar;

(b) the total requirements of coal in respect of each of these Sugar Mills separately in 1950-51 and 1951-52;

(c) the actual quantity of coal consumed separately by each of these Sugar Mills in 1950-51 and 1951-52;

(d) the total quantity of timber consumed by these Sugar Mills separately