

Setting up of Grape Research Centre in North India

2388. SHRI CHIRANJI LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up a grape research centre in Northern India;

(b) if so, the site selected for setting up the centre; and

(c) the amount to be incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) No, Sir. There is no proposal to set up a grape research centre in Northern India during the Sixth Plan period.

(b) and (c). Question does not arise.

Production of Vanaspati, Margarine, Refined Oil and industrial Hard Oils

2389. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:

SHRI AJOY BISWAS:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production allowed under Vegetable Oil Products Control Order 1975 and other such Control Orders lay down the extent to which Hindustan Lever Limited can produce Margarine, Refined Oils and Industrial Hard Oils under

the cover of the Main Licence issued to them for production of Vanaspati;

(b) if so, the details of the respective capacities laid down by the Vegetable Oil Products Control Order 1957 or any other such orders in respect of Margarine, Refined Oil and Industrial Hard Oils; and

(c) the actual production by Hindustan Lever Limited Ghaziabad of Vanaspati, Margarine, Refined Oil and Industrial Hard Oil respectively in the years 1974, 1975, 1976 and 1977?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD): (a) and (b). While the Vegetable Oil Products (Standard of quality) Order, 1975, issued under the Vegetable Oil Products Control Order, 1947, does not lay down the extent to which M/s Hindustan Lever Limited or any vanaspati unit licensed/registered under the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951, can produce Margarine and Industrial Hard Oils for soap manufacture, the production of Refined Oils can be undertaken by such units to the extent of 25 per cent of their production of vanaspati during any calendar month under the Vegetable Oil Product Producers (Regulation of Refined Oil Manufacture) Order, 1973.

(c) The actual production of Vanaspati, Margarine, Refined Oils and Industrial Hard Oils by M/s. Hindustan Lever Limited, Ghaziabad, for the year 1974 to 1977 is as under:

(In tonnes)

	1974	1975	1976	1977
Vanaspati	6,621	16,113	14,841	15,304
Margarine	1,178	55	92	165
Refined Oils	58	47	398	1,714
Industrial Hard Oils	—	279	165	55