

सामुदायिक विकास तथा सहकार उपमंत्री (श्री ब० सू० मूर्ति) : (क) से (घ). कोई औपचारिक समिति नियुक्त नहीं की गई है। किन्तु तीसरी योजना के सम्पूर्ण वास्तविक निर्धारण के अन्तर्गत ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में अधिक बिजली ले जाने के प्रश्न की व्यावहारिकता पर २३ फरवरी, १९६१ को अन्तर्मंत्री के बैठक में विचार-विमर्श किया गया था। यह बैठक सिंचाई तथा बिजली मंत्रालय ने बुलाई थी और इस में इस मंत्रालय योजना आयोग और अन्य संबंधित मंत्रालयों के प्रतिनिधियों ने भाग लिया था। मामला अभी विचाराधीन है।

#### Mechanised Farms

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 Shri Birendra Bahadur Singhji:  
 Shri Chandak:  
 Shri P. L. Barupal:  
 Shri Radha Mohan Singh:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether a final decision has been taken towards the establishment of 10 mechanised farms in the country with foreign assistance;

(b) the details of the proposals with the Government; and

(c) whether the Madhya Pradesh State Government has moved the Government of India urging that at least one such farm be set up in Madhya Pradesh also?

The Deputy Minister of Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Committee on Large-sized Mechanised Farms appointed by the Government of India for suggesting suitable sites for setting up more mechanised farms in the country has recently submitted its report. The Committee has recommended that one more mechanised farm having an area

of about 30,000 acres should be set up in Rajasthan.

Copies of the report of the Committee have been placed in the Parliament Library.

(c) Yes. Three sites had been suggested. Two of them were subsequently withdrawn by the State Government. The third site suggested by the State Government has not been considered suitable by the Committee.

#### Purchase of Craft for Ferry Service Across the Brahmaputra

\*1037. Shri Amjad Ali: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1357 on the 10th September, 1959 regarding the purchase of craft for ferry service across the Brahmaputra and state:

(a) when did the two ferry crafts "Manas" and "Pancharatna" reach Goalpara Ghat;

(b) what use has been made of these ferry crafts till now; and

(c) when they are being put into operation?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) On the 11th September, 1960.

(b) Due to non-availability of the requisite crews it has not been possible to operate the ferry craft so far.

(c) The arrangement of crew has been made since and the crafts will be operated from the 1st April, 1961.

#### Commodity Committee for Development of Spices

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 Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
 Shri Pangarkar:  
 Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No.