

दिया जाएगा और सम्भवतः चालू सत्र में संसद् में पेश कर दिया जाएगा।

केन्द्रीय लोक निर्माण विभाग के निर्माण कार्यों की धीमी गति, उनकी लागत में वृद्धि होना

199. श्री मनी राम बागड़ी :
श्री मंगलराम प्रेमी :

क्या निर्माण और आवास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या छठी योजना के पहले भी केन्द्रीय लोक निर्माण विभाग के निर्माण कार्यों की गति बहुत धीमी रही थी और वह अब भी चल रही है तथा इसके फलस्वरूप विभिन्न परियोजनाओं की लागत में असाधारण वृद्धि हुई है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का विचार लोक निर्माण विभाग के कार्यों में अधिकतम गति का सुनिश्चय करने हेतु सुधारात्मक उपाय करने का है और यदि हां, तो तत्सम्बन्धी पूर्ण ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं तो इस मामले में क्या कठिनाइयां आड़े आ रही हैं ?

निर्माण और आवास मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री मोहम्मद उस्मान आरिफ) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

Demand of edible oil of West Bengal and Tripura

200. SHRI AJOY BISWAS : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) total demands of edible oil of West Bengal and Tripura for 1981-82 and 1982-83 ;

(b) total allotment of edible oil during these periods by the central Government ; and

(c) the reasons for not sanctioning of edible oil as per demand of the two States ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD) : (a) and (b). The demand and allocation in respect of West Bengal and Tripura for public distribution system were :

Oil Year	West Bengal		Tripura	
	Demand	Allocation	Demand	Allocation
1981-82	1,25,000 MTs	73,189 MTs	420 MTs	20 MTs in Nov. 1981
1982-83	1,26,000 MTs	52,610 MTs (till July 83)	420 MTs	-Nil-

(c) The allocation of imported edible oils to State Government is supplementary in nature and it is intended to bridge, to the extent possible, the gap between indigenous availability of edible oils and their likely demand. It is not possible to meet the entire demand for edible oils of any particular State/region because of limited imports.

The Government of Tripura was allocated 20 MT during November, 1981 which they did not lift. Therefore no further allotment has been made.

Increase in prices of edible oils

201. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that despite the increased allocation of imported edible oils to States by about 25 per cent for June 1983 for distribution through the public distribution system the price of edible oils soared higher ;

(b) if so, what were the reasons for this increase in prices according to Government's own study ; and

(c) the steps that have since been taken for checking and bringing down the price ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD) : (a) There has been some increase in the prices of edible oils.

(b) The recent increase in the prices of edible oils may be mainly attributed to substantial decline in the production of oilseeds during the oil year 1982-83 and the current lean season.

(c) The important steps taken to keep the prices of edible oils in check include enhanced imports of edible oils and larger releases of imported edible oils for the public distribution system and the vanaspati industry. Efforts to increase the indigenous production of oilseeds are being continued.

Rice Variety Produced by IARI

202. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Agricultural Research Institute has been successful in producing superior rice variety combining nuclear and conventional breeding methods with yield potential of 7 tons per hectare ;

(b) if so, which areas in the country are considered suitable for cultivation of this variety of rice ; and

(c) what steps have been taken for promotion and popularisation of cultivation of this variety ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir. In the Nuclear Research Laboratory, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, a number of promising strains of rice have been developed with the combined use of nuclear and conventional breeding methods.

(b) At present, the rice strains are under trials at various locations in the country. The trial conducted during 1982 in Karnal (Haryana) gave very promising results and the farmers of the area were impressed to see the performance of these strains. The trials conducted at Central Rice Research Institute, Cuttack during *rabi* 1981-82 and 1982-83 also gave promising results. A few of these strains have now been included in the trials of All India Coordinated Rice Improvement Project.

(c) Steps will be taken for promotion and popularisation through demonstration and multiplication after the varieties are approved for release by the concerned authorities.

Criteria for Selecting Players for Olympic Games at Los Angeles

203. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Will the Minister of SPORTS be pleased to state :

(a) the events in which it has been decided