

Current year-1928. Pension has not been given to any new person during the current year till now.

Cost of Production of Sugar

7685. SHRI M. R. LAKSHMINARAYANAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the cost of production of sugar per quintal in each State based on the minimum price fixed as Rs. 7.37 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. SHER SINGH) : The ex-factory cost of production in each zone has to be calculated on the basis of average duration and sugar recovery for the season in each zone. As the current season is still on, and some sugar factories are still working, the cost of production cannot be worked out precisely at this stage

Setting up of Primary School in each Block

7686 PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR :
SHRI M. RAM GOPAL REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state .

(a) whether it is proposed to start at least one primary School in each Block and one Higher Secondary School of the District level during the current financial year;

(b) if so, the criteria for selecting such sites;

(c) whether the sites should be selected by the Central Government in consultation with the local Members of Parliament; and

(d) if so, the date by which such schools would be set up ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV) : (a) to (d) The proposal for establishing adequate number of model primary Schools at the rate of one per block and model Secondary Schools at the rate of one per district is still in the formulation stage. A final decision will be taken after consulting the Central Advisory Board of Education.

Enquiry into sinking of Swedish Gift Vessel attached to Madras Unit of Central Institute of Fisheries Operatives

7687. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the new Swedish gift vessel "Red snapper" attached to the Madras Unit of the Central Institute of Fisheries Operatives got almost sunk at the harbour by getting sea water in the Engine Room;

(b) whether any enquiry has been conducted to fix responsibility in this regard; and

(c) if so, the results thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE) : (a) While the vessel "Red Snapper" was undergoing annual overhaul at the Madras harbour, it was noticed on the morning of Monday, the 5th July 1971, that sea water had entered the engine and forward compartment. The water was baled out by 10 A. M. and the main engine was restarted the next day.

(b) and (c) A committee consisting of two technical officers of the Institute enquired into the incident. Their report was submitted to the Director of the Institute who raised certain queries and asked