

ment was only 57 tonnes during 1972-73 and 371 tonnes during 1973-74.

(d) to (f). The consumption requirements of cereals are dependent on a number of factors i.e. availability, other substitutable foodstuffs, their comparative prices, level of income, population growth and extent of urbanisation etc. It is, therefore, not possible to frame any precise quantitative assessment of cereals consumption needs of West Bengal. West Bengal is one of the deficit States and depends on Central Supplies of cereals to meet their public distribution requirements.

Inquiry into working of Modern Bakeries (India) Limited, New Delhi

2666. SHRI BIRENDER SINGH
RAO:
SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH
MALIK:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have enquired into the working of Modern Bakeries (India) Limited, New Delhi during the last three years;

(b) if so, the nature of irregularities which have come to the notice of the Government during that period; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to improve the working of the undertaking?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE): (a) No, Sir. However the Committee on Public Undertakings (Fifth Lok Sabha) have gone into working of the Modern Bakeries (India) Ltd., for the period upto 31-3-1973.

(b) The findings of the Committee are contained in its 47th Report presented to Parliament in March, 1974.

(c) Modern Bakeries (India) Ltd., are taking action on the various recommendations of the Committee contained in the Report.

Statue of Mahatma Gandhi

2667. SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 132 on the 11th November, 1974 regarding Statue of Mahatma Gandhi and state:

(a) on what date the matter was referred to the Delhi Urban Arts Commission for recommendations after the Committee could not discuss the matter on 13th September, 1972;

(b) whether the recommendations of the Commission have since been received and whether any final decision has been taken to have Gandhiji's Statue at India Gate; and

(c) if not, reasons for this abnormal delay in taking a final decision?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) On the 18th September, 1974.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) As the recommendation of the Arts Commission has not yet been received, there is no question of delay in taking a decision

Setting up of Soyabean Plant

2668. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH GILL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Soyabean plant is being set up in order to supplement the protein value of the wheat flour and also to produce edible oils; and

(b) if so, where this plant is being set up and when it will start production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE): (a) and (b). A proposal for setting up of a Soyabean Processing Plant at Faridabad by the Food Corporation of India is under consideration.