

rived at as aggregates of estimates furnished by the individual State Governments and Union Territories.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Food Allotment to States for Free Kitchens

\*466. Shri Nitiraj Singh:  
Chaudhary:

Shri Ram Singh Ayarwal:  
Shri Nathu Ram Ahirwar:  
Shri Lakhan Lal Gupta:  
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:  
Shri Onkar Singh:  
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:  
Shri G. C. Dixit:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to lay a statement indicating the demands made by the various States Governments this year in respect of allotment of grains to be supplied to free kitchens to feed children, disabled and destitutes residing in the scarcity area, and the quantity of grains allotted to each State Government for this purpose?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No LT-621/67].

#### Scarcity of Foodgrains

\*467. Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:  
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:  
Shri K. Pradhani:  
Shri Heerji Bhal:  
Shri Sideshwar Prasad:  
Shri Rane:  
Shri Hem Raj:  
Shri Sarjoo Pandey:  
Shri G. S. Mishra:  
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:  
Shri D. C. Sharma:  
Shri Abdul Ghani Dar:

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

(a) the present position in regard to the scarcity of foodgrains in the various States and Union Territories;

(b) the demands made by the different States and Union Territories for the supply of foodgrains from the Centre during the last two months; and

(c) the allotment made by the Centre during the same period?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) There has been no improvement as yet in the matter of availability of foodgrains in open market in most of the States and Union Territories.

(b) and (c). Various demands have been placed by the State Governments from time to time. Such demands are generally discussed with the State Governments and supplies arranged on the basis of availabilities with the Centre.

A statement showing the allocations of foodgrains made to the different States/Union Territories from the Central Pool for the months of April and May, 1967 is placed on the Table of the Sabha [Placed in Library. See No LT-622/67].

#### Food Policy of M.P. Government

\*468. Shri Baburao Patel: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have seen ~~press~~ reports of the new food policy announced by the Madhya Pradesh Government in April this year;

(b) whether the Centre has received details of the new food policy;

(c) whether the Central Government was consulted before hand and its approval sought; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Central Government thereto?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.