

cheapest SMP/SNF, has not been accepted;

(d) whether it is also a fact that this is being done at the instance of Contractors supplying mixed milk and the loss likely to be incurred by Delhi Milk Scheme due to non acceptance of the offer; and

(e) if so, the action taken against the officials responsible for this losses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) from whom Delhi Milk Scheme had procured in early 1992 the butter oil for use in the lean season has offered to take back the unutilised quantity of butter oil at the same rate it had supplied plus sales tax and transportation charges. The decision to return the butter oil to NDDB and to stop procurement of liquid skimmed milk has been taken keeping in view the overall cost economics with the advent of flush season from November, 1992 when the commitment of Delhi Milk Scheme to procure fresh milk as per the existing agreements increased.

(c) and (d) Neither the offer of single party for supply of liquid skimmed milk at Rs. 3.25 per kg was accepted in view of the reply to (a) and (b) above nor has this decision been influenced by any contractor.

(e) Does not arise in view of reply to (a) to (d) above.

Purchase of Mixed Milk by D.M.S.

3828. SHRI ABDUL SAMAD SIDDIQUI:
DR. FAGUNI RAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that after rejecting the tender of ten mixed milk suppliers, Delhi Milk Scheme has been purchasing milk at a much higher rate

from the three contractors and after accepting the offer a condition was imposed in the agreement to pay premium and get rebate and this condition was not made known to other contractors at the time of negotiations;

(b) if not, what are the details in this regard and the quantity of mixed milk purchased so far during the year 1992 from the above three Contractors and the rates thereof month-wise and contractor-wise;

(c) whether there is any Scandal involving loss of crores of Rupees to D.M.S.; and

(d) if so, who is responsible for this loss and what steps have been taken to enquire into the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

3829. [Transferred to 17th December, 1992].

गढ़वाल के पीड़ितों को केन्द्रीय सहायता

3830. श्री राम रतन राम: क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने उत्तर प्रदेश के गढ़वाल मंडल में अक्टूबर, 1991 में आये भूकम्प से पीड़ित व्यक्तियों को राहत देने के प्रयोजन से 217 करोड़ रुपये की केन्द्रीय सहायता की मांग की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो राज्य को कितनी धनराशि उपलब्ध करायी गई है; और

(ग) यदि अभी तक कोई धनराशि नहीं दी गई है तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुल्लापल्ली रामचन्द्रन): (क) उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने अक्टूबर, 1991 में आए भूकम्प के बाद राहत, पुनर्वास तथा निर्माण गतिविधियों के लिए 262.51

करोड़ रुपए की अतिरिक्त केन्द्रीय सहायता की मांग की थी।

(ख) भारत सरकार ने आपदा ग्रस्त क्षेत्रों में से राज्य को देय राशि में से 45.315 करोड़ रुपए की राशि निर्मुक्त की थी।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Setting up of National Live Stock Production Development Council

3831. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to set up an apex agency—National Live Stock Production Development Council;

(b) if so, what are the main objectives and functions of the Council; and

(c) by when it is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) No Sir. There is no such proposal in the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying of Ministry of Agriculture.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Import of Oilseeds

3832. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to import oilseeds in spite of comfortable oilseeds production this year;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Hindustan Oilseeds Growers's Association has asked Government to draw up fresh policy guidelines for the oilseeds industry; and

(d) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMA-CHANDRAN): (a) No, Sir. There is no proposal to import oilseeds for processing to recover edible oils.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Hindustan Oilseeds Grower's Association highlighted the problems of oilseed growers which should be considered while arriving at any policy decision on the oilseed front. The same were examined and appropriate action was taken such as permitting the marketing of blended oils.

Drought in Orissa

3833. SHRI BASANT KUMAR DAS: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is drought in Kalahandi, Balangir and part of Sambalpur distt. in Orissa this year again;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the said area is reaching under chronic drought since 1965; and

(c) if so, the permanent remedial measures Government propose to take for the aforesaid area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMA-CHANDRAN): (a) to (c) Information is being collected from the State Government.

Promotions of Scientists in I.C.A.R.

3834. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Institutes under I.C.A.R. have sent their recommendations regarding placement/promotions of Grade (S-1) Scientists;

(b) whether the Order No. 10(5)/92-Per.IV regarding the decision of Central Administrative Tribunal upheld by Supreme Court for Computation of total