

The month-wise allocation of rice to Kerala from November, 1989 to November, 1990 has been as follows:-

(In lakh tonnes)

November, 1989	1.25
December, 1989	1.00
January, 1990	1.00
February, 1990	1.25
March, 1990	1.25
April, 1990	1.25
May, 1990	1.25
June, 1990	1.25
July, 1990	1.35
August, 1990	1.55
September, 1990	1.35
October, 1990	1.45 @
November, 1990	1.45 @

Rehabilitation plans for units of HFC

1118. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI. Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government had rejected the Rs. 600 crores rehabilitation plans for 3 units of the public sector HFC Limited;

(b) if so, what were the reasons therefor,

(c) whether Government had asked to reduce the plan, and

(d) if so, to what extent; and whether Government propose to review the HFC units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAM BAHADUR SINGH): (a) to (d) As recommended by the consultants, Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation had submitted a plan for revamping the operating units of HFC (except Namrup-III) at estimated cost of Rs 486 crores, which was updated to Rs. 604 crores in February, 1990. This has not been rejected; however, in view of the high investment involved

@including ad-hoc allocation of 10,000 tonnes for festival season.

constraint of resources, and the fact that technologically the plants cannot be upgraded. Government asked HFC for alternative plans involving reduced outlay. No final decision has been taken on the various proposals.

Setting up of fertilizers plant by USSR

1119. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI. Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state;

(a) whether Soviet Union has shown its keen interest in setting up of fertilizers plants in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what are the cities where these plants would be set up, and

(d) what would be the total expenditure involved in each plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAM BAHADUR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Concessions and grants to farmers

1120. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA. Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state,

(a) whether any concessions or grants were offered by Government at Sisauli in Uttar Pradesh in second week of December, 1990 which would place the burden of Rs 100 crores on Government, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether such concessions would also be made available to farmer in other parts of the country; and

(c) whether the announcement for concession was made instantly or after a deliberate consideration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JAYANILAL VIRCHANDBHAI SHAH): (a), No concessions were announced by the Central Government.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.