

Statement

Monthly allocation of rice to Maharashtra during January, 1982 to June, 1984

(In '000 tonnes)

	1982	1983	1984
January . . .	75.0	25.0	25.0
February . . .	75.0	25.0	25.0
March . . .	75.0	25.0	25.0
April . . .	75.0	25.0	25.0
May . . .	60.0	25.0	25.0
June . . .	25.0	25.0	25.0
July . . .	25.0	25.0	
August . . .	25.0	25.0	
September . . .	25.0	25.0	
October . . .	25.0	25.0	
November . . .	25.0	25.0	
December . . .	25.0	25.0	

**S.T. employees in loco-workshop,
Dohad**

1619. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons employed in the loco-workshop at Freeland-gunj, Dohad;

(b) the number out of them who belong to the Scheduled Tribes; and

(c) whether there are any plans for the expansion of the workshop or for the starting of new production units to provide employment opportunities to the Scheduled Tribes in Dohad?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Late arrival of Rajdhani Express from
Bombay to New Delhi**

1620. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rajdhani Express from Bombay had reached New Delhi late by about 5 and a half hours on the 7th July, 1984;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what remedial measures have been taken by the Railways in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 151 Dn. Rajdhani Express suffered heavy detention due to point bursting at Rohal Khurd Station.

(c) Staff at fault has been taken up to avoid recurrence. Safety drives have been intensified and surprise checks made specially during night hours.

Sudden rise in prices of groundnut oil

1621. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a sudden rise in prices of groundnut oil during the month of July, 1984;

(b) what were the prices of groundnut oil in Bombay as on the 31st May, 30th June, 14th July and 21st July, 1984; and

(c) what action Government propose to take to arrest this sudden rise in prices of groundnut oil?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI M. S. SANJEEVI RAO): (a) There has been some rise in the prices of groundnut oil in July, 1984.