

way committees during the periods is indicated against each:—

Period	1st ACC	1st Class	Ind Class
(1) 25.3.77			
to 20.7.79	3	202	29
(2) 21.7.79			
to 15.1.80	9	91	9
(3) 16.1.80			
to 31.12.80	8	242	25
(4) 1.1.81			
to 15.1.82	4	365	63

Manufacture of sub-standard Pump-set

*333. SHRI M. R. APPAROW: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have directed the A.R.D.C. to suspend its refinancing facilities to agricultural pump-sets which do not conform to the specified thermal efficiencies;

(b) if so, whether the A.R.D.C. also propose to take steps to prevent the manufacture, sale and installation of such sub-standard pump-sets; and

(c) if the reply to part (b) above be in the negative, what other steps Government and A.R.D.C. propose to take to save the innocent kisans who do not know all these intricacies of Thermal inefficiency of pump-sets?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION (SHRI KEDAR PANDEY): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Steps taken by Government and A.R.D.C. are as under:—

(1) At the instance of the Central Government, Technical Committees have been constituted in most of the States to prepare approved list of pump-sets for financing by banks giving due regard to ISI/quality marking, provision for after-sales service etc. Farmers can

select their pumps from these approved lists.

(2) With a view to educate the farmers in the selection of proper pump-sets, A.R.D.C. has published booklets which contain guidelines for proper selection of agricultural pump-sets. These booklets have been supplied to various banks as well as State Governments. The Ministry of Irrigation has also circulated to States necessary guidelines on similar lines for proper selection of pump-sets.

(3) ISI have revised the standard specifications and have now indicated the upper limit of specific fuel consumption.

(4) A.R.D.C. has now made a condition of loaning that only ISI "Q" marked pumps/engines/motors will be selected. Specific fuel consumption and efficiency values have also been specified.

(5) A Standing Committee at the National Level under the Chairmanship of Union Secretary of Irrigation and comprising Central and State Government officers, experts from Institutes and Universities and Manufacturers' representatives etc. has also been constituted to review the position from time to time and issue necessary guidelines for improving the operational efficiencies of agricultural pump-sets. This Committee has also taken decision to co-opt the farmers representatives in the Committee.

Remunerative prices to the oilseeds Growers

*334. SHRI M. BASAVARAJU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the growers of oilseeds are not getting remunerative price for their produce;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to ensure an efficient marketing system for effective intervention in