

राहत संबंधी उच्च स्तरीय समिति की सिफारिशों के आधार पर भारत सरकार ने बाढ़ राहत के लिये 3589.40 लाख रुपये के व्यय की अधिकतम सीमा मंजूर की थी। इस प्रकार उत्तर प्रदेश की कुल 4545.67 लाख रुपये के व्यय की अधिकतम सीमा मंजूर की गयी थी।

(ख) राज्य सरकार द्वारा बाढ़ से प्रभावित जिलों में धान राशि का वितरण इन जिलों में हुई क्षति का मका और धानराशि की आवश्यकता के अनुसार किया जाता है।

Shelling of rice in Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh ..

313. DR. (SHRIMATI) RAJINDER KAUR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that move- of nearly eight lakh tonnes of paddy has taken place from FCI godowns in Punjab to Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh during the last year;

(b) whether it is also a fact that rice millers of Punjab were prepared to do shelling @ Rs. -4/- per quintal whereas Rs. 13/- or so per quintal have been paid to outside States besides Punjab losing rice bran and PCI paying extra freight on the husk; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor and whether Government propose to Institute an enquiry into the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) There has been no movement of paddy from Food Corporation of India godowns in Punjab to Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan during the last year. However, approximately 38,000 tonnes of paddy was moved from Punjab to Madhya Pradesh during last year.

(b) Rates for milling Punjab paddy in Madhya Pradesh last year were Rs. 11/- per quintal for conversion into raw rice and Rs. 4/- per quintal for parboiled rice. The milling rate in Punjab were however, Rs. 2.70 to Rs. 4.50 per quintal for raw rice and Rs. 4.50 per quintal for "parboiled rice.

(c) The movement was undertaken to relieve the pressure on Punjab millers and expedite paddy milling. The question of an enquiry does not arise.

Centre of Agro-Energy Research

314. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA HEPTULLA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposed Centre of Agro-Energy Research has started working; and

(b) whether six plants have been set up in the metropolitan cities for recycling solid and liquid wastes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) Not yet. The proposal for the establishment of a Centre on Agro-Energy Research has been included in the 6th Plan 1980—85 proposal of the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi. This is still under consideration of the Government.

(b) There is no proposal under consideration by Indian Council of Agricultural Research/Department of Agricultural Research and Education for setting up of six plants in metropolitan cities. The Department of Agriculture (Fertilizer Division) has however, set up mechanical compost plants in six cities, namely; Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Calcutta, Bangalore, Bombay and Jaipur at which composting of urban wastes is undertaken.