

Imposing Levy in Coarse-Grains

1699. SHRI M. KADERSHAH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a statement reported to have been made by the Tamil Nadu Minister for Food on the 2nd December, 1974 in Madurai to the effect that Tamil Nadu Government have requested the Central Government to consider the imposing of levy on coarse-grains so as to make easy availability thereof to the public; and

(b) if so, what is Government's decision thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI ANNASAHAB P. SHINDE): (a) and (b) The reported statement of the Tamil Nadu Food Minister has not come to the notice of the Government of India. However, proposals were received last month from the Tamil Nadu Government for imposing a levy on producers and traders in respect of coarse-grains. The proposals were agreed to.

Posting of Junior Engineers in Delhi

1700. SHRI GANESH LAL MALI: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are 3 regions in India for the posting of Junior Engineers in CPWD and postings are made taking in view of the preference given by the concerned candidates.

(b) what were the region-wise number of vacancies in civil and electrical side to be filled on the basis of results of the examination held in September, 1973 and region-wise number of posts filled on both civil and electrical side up to now on the results of the said examination and by when the remaining vacant posts will be filled;

(c) what were the region-wise number of posts of both civil and electrical side that were filled through the examination held in 1972; and

(d) what criterion is observed while filling up the posts of Junior Engineers for the three regions ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a)

Yes, there are three regions and the newly appointed Junior Engineers are posted to the regions of their preference subject to the availability of posts in those regions.

(b) The number of vacancies in the various regions was as under :—

Region	Number of vacancies	
	Junior Engineer (Civil)	Junior Engineer (Electrical)
A	160	55
B	165	62
C	50	45
	375	162

Due to fall in the workload of CPWD, a number of vacancies had to be kept unfilled and offers were issued to the candidates as under :—

Region	Number of candidates	
	Junior Engineer (Civil)	Junior Engineer (Electrical)
A	57	49
B	31	26
C	49	45
	137	120

The number of candidates who have so far joined the Department is as under :—

Region	Number of candidates	
	Junior Engineer (Civil)	Junior Engineer (Electrical)
A	26	34
B	15	5
C	25	18
	66	57