SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF FOODGRAINS THROUGH CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

*632. SHRI THILLAI VILLALAN :
SHRI K. A. KRISHNASWAMY :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to take up the sale and distribution of foodgrains through Co-operative Societies; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE) : (a) and (b) Public distribution of foodgrains is the responsibility of the State Governments. The Government of India have issued instructions to the State Governments to utilise fully the Co-operative organisations in distributing foodgrains and other essential commodities. On the basis of reports available from 15 States/Territories, the number of fair price shops run by Co-operatives Societies is 10,026.

वजीराबाद वाटर सप्लाईवर्क्स के आस-पास मैले का डाला जाना

*633. **श्री राम सहाय** : क्या **निर्माण और आवास तथा स्वास्थ्य और परिवार नियोजन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 6 अक्तूबर, 1972 के टाइम्म आफ इंडिया में प्रकाशित इस आशय के समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है कि दिल्ली में वज़ीराबाद वाटर वर्क्स के आस-पास मैला तथा कूड़ा डाले जाने के कारण नगर की जल प्रदाय व्यवस्था के लिए खतरा पैदा हो गया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उस जगह पर डाला गया मैला और कूड़ा अब हटा दिया गया है और यदि नहीं, तो इस संबंध में अन्य क्या प्रबन्ध किये गये हैं ?

†[DUMPING OF NIGHT SOIL AROUND WAZIRABAD WATER SUPPLY WORKS

*633. SHRI RAM SAHAI : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item appearing in the Times of India of the 6th October, 1972 to the effect that due to dumping of night soil and garbage around the Wazirabad Water Works in Delhi, there is danger to city's Water Supply; and

(b) if so, whether the night soil and garbage so dumped has since been removed and if not what other arrangements have been made in this regard ?]

निर्माण और आवास तथा स्वास्थ्य और परिवार नियोजन मंत्री (श्री उमा शंकर दीक्षित) : (क) और (ख) टाइम्स आफ इंडिया के 5 अक्तूबर, 1972 के दिल्ली संस्करण में ऐसा समाचार अवश्य छपा था। पूछताछ करने पर यह पता चला कि वजीराबाद वाटर वर्क्स के आस-पास मैला और कूड़ा नहीं डाला जा रहा है। दिल्ली जलपूर्ति एवं मल निष्कासन उपक्रम के मुख्य अभियन्ता (जल) ने इस आशय का स्पष्टीकरण 6 अक्तूबर, 1972 को समाचार पत्र में दे दिया था।

†[THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI UMA SHANKAR DIKSHIT) : (a) and (b) Such a news item did appear on October 5, 1972 in the Delhi Edition of *Times of India*. On enquiry it was found that there was no dumping of night soil and garbage in the vicinity of Wazirabad Water Works. A clarification to this effect was issued by the Chief Engineer (Water), Delhi Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Undertaking on the 6th October, 1972, in the Press.]

†[ ] English translation.