, (ख) दिल्ली दुग्ध योजना द्वारा दूध की खाली बोतलों का मूल्य दस पैसे बढ़ाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

INCREASE IN THE PRICE OP EMPTY MILK BOTTLES BY D. M.S.

*236. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to

state :

(a) the number of complaints relating to the irregularities committed in the milk supply depots of Delhi Milk Scheme received during the last six months and the action taken thereon; and

(b) the reasons for increasing the price of empty milk-bottles by 10 n. p. by the Delhi Milk Scheme ?]

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (प्रो॰ शेर सिंह): (क) दिल्ली दुग्ध योजना में अक्तूबर, 1971 से मार्च, 1972 की अवधि में 554 शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई थीं। जांच पड़ताल के उपरान्त 262 शिकायतें सच्ची पाई गयीं और दोषी पाये जाने वाले डिपो एजेन्टों के विरुद्ध कार्यवाही की गई। 184 व्यक्तियों को चेता-वनियां दी गई और 22 व्यक्तियों को सेवा मुक्त तथा निलम्बित कर दिया गया। शेष व्यक्तियों का स्थानान्तरण कर दिया गया अथवा उनके विरुद्ध समुचित कार्यवाही की गई।

(ख) बोतलों के कय मूल्य तथा अन्य प्रासंगिक व्ययों में वृद्धि के कारण दिल्ली दुग्ध योजना द्वारा 24-3-72 से खाली दूध की बोतलों का विकय मूल्य 50 पैसे से बढ़ाकर 60 पैसे प्रति बोतल कर दिया गया है।

t[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. SHER SINGH) : (a) Delhi Milk Scheme >:eceived 554 complaints during the period October, 1971 to March, 1972. On investigation 262 complaints were found to be genuine and action was taken against the Depot agents found at fault. Warning were issued to 184 persons and agency of 22 persons were terminated or suspended. The remaining persons were transferred or otherwise dealt with.

*[] English translation.

(b) The sale price of empty milk bottles has been increased by Delhi Milk Scheme from 50 paise to 60 paise each from 24-3-72 due to increase in the purchase price of bottles and other incidental expenses.]

CRASH PROGRAMME FOR RURAL EMPLOYMENT IN WEST BENGAL

323. SHRI SANAT KUMAR RAHA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated to the State of West Bengal under the crash programme for rural employment during the year 1971-72;

(b) whether Government have any report on the utilisation of the amounts by the Government of West Bengal; and

(c) if so, how the disbursed amount has been utilised ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. SHER SINGH) : (a) to (c) A sum of Rs. 299.00 lakhs was allocated to the State of West Bengal during 1971-72 under the Crash Scheme for Rural Einpl&yment. Proposals amounting to Rs. 246.01 lakhs were administratively approved and a sum of Rs. 116.22 lakhs was actually released to the State Government. The State Government have computed their expenditure at Rs. 152.00 lakhs generating 30 lakh mandays of employment. Details are awaited.

INSURANCE UP CROPS

324. DR. Z. A. AHMAD : SHRI KRISHAN KANT : SHRI GULAM NABI UNTOO : SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR: SHRI D. P. SINGH : SHRI SANAT KUMAR RAHA :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether final decision has been taken for introducing crop insurance against flood and drought; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE) : (a) No, Sir. The matter is still under the consideration of Government.