

SCRAPPING OF SUGAR CONTROL

1539. SHRI JAGAT NARAIN: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether in view of the marked increase in sugar production during the current year Government proposes to scrap the sugar control; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE) : (a) and (b) The sugar policy for 1969-70 will be considered shortly in consultation with the State Governments and other interests concerned.

IMPORT OF TRACTORS

1540. SHRI JAGAT NARAIN: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the countries from which tractors were imported during the year 1968 and the number of tractors imported from each country;

(b) what was the price of the said tractors and the price at which they were sold to the users; and

(c) the number of tractors proposed to be imported this year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE) : (a) and (b) The information is given below : —

Name of the country	Model of Tractor	Number imported	Total c.i.f. price (Rs.)	Approx. sale price (Rs.)
Czechoslovakia	Zetor-2011	1,000	98,84,200	130,74,100
U. S. S. R.	DT-14B Byelarus-MTZ	844 445	46,52,972 56,89,325	58,49,764 68,84,150

(c) It had been decided to import an additional number of 15,000 tractors against the requirements for 1968-69. The import programme for 1969-70 is under consideration of Government.

INTER-STATE EXCHANGE AND VISITS OF FARMERS

1541. SHRI JAGAT NARAIN : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a programme of inter-State exchange and visits of farmers has been sponsored for dissemination of the latest trends in farming amongst the farmers in the country; and

(b) if so, the name of the organisation sponsoring the programme and whether Government have extended any assistance to it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION

(SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): (a) Yes.

(b) The programme has been sponsored by the National Tonnage Club of Farmers.

No financial assistance was given by Government of India who have, how, ever extended technical assistance in organising the programme.

PRODUCTION OF FILMS BY BOMBAY FILM INDUSTRY

1542. DR. (MRS.) MANGLADEVI TALWAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the total number of films produced by the Film Industry in Bombay since January, 1967?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL) : The total number of Indian