

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

KHARIF CROP ESTIMATES

286. SHRI R. K. PODDAR : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any estimate has been made of the kharif crops this year as compared to the figures for the last year; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE) : (a) and (b) Firm estimates of Kharif Crops during 1968-69 would become available only after the close of the current agricultural year, i.e. some time in July-August, 1969.

FISHERIES INSTITUTE AT COCHIN ETC.

287. SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHARAN : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the three Fisheries Institutes at Cochin, Mampram and Calcutta taken over recently by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research are short of funds and have no money even to pay the salaries of their employees from February, 1969; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to ensure that the I.C.A.R. allocates sufficient funds for the expenditure of the three Fisheries Institutes and also pay the employees duly ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

288. [Transferred to the 25th February, 1969.]

आस्ट्रेलिया से खाद्यान्न का आयात

289. श्री राम सहाय :

चौधरी ए० मोहम्मद :

क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) आस्ट्रेलिया हाल ही में भारत को 1969 के वर्ष में कितना खाद्यान्न देने के लिए सहमत हो गया है; और

(ख) यह खाद्यान्न कब तक भारत पहुंच सकेगा और इसके मूल्य की अदायगी की शर्तें क्या हैं ?

†[IMPORT OF FOODGRAINS FROM AUSTRALIA]

289. SHRI RAM SAHAI :

CHAUDHARY A. MOHAMMAD :

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state .

(a) the quantity of foodgrains which Australia has recently agreed to give to India during the year 1969; and

(b) by when the foodgrains will reach India and what are the terms for the payment of its cost?

खाद्य, कृषि, सामुदायिक विकास और सहकारिता मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अण्णासाहेब शिन्दे) : (क) हमने वर्ष 1969 के दौरान अबतक आस्ट्रेलिया की सरकार से खाद्यान्न देने के लिए नहीं कहा है।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE) : (a) We have not so far approached the Australian Government for any foodgrains during the year 1969.

(b) Does not arise.]

†[] English translation.