

Government of India during this period a little over 12,000 tonnes of indigenous wheat.

#### **IMPORT OF FOODGRAINS**

65. SHRI K. C. BAGHEL:  
SHRI G. R. PATIL:

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

(a) the quantity and the import prices of foodgrains imported, country-wise, during the last 3 years;

(b) the prices per quintal charged ! by the Centre from consumers in the Centrally administered areas; and

(c) the element of subsidy, if any, per quintal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): (a) The required information for the years 1963-64 to 1965-66 is given in the enclosed statement (Statement I). [See Appendix LIX, Annexure No. 3].

(b) Foodgrains are not issued direct to consumers from Central stocks in the Centrally administered areas. These are Issued to the concerned Administration who distribute them further to consumers through fair price shops, ration shops, etc. A statement (Statement II) is, however, attached indicating the issue price of foodgrains to various Centrally administered areas. [See Appendix LIX, Annexure No. 4].

(c) A statement (Statement III) giving the required Information is attached. [See Appendix LIX, Annexure No. 5].

#### **IMPORT OF MANURE**

66. SHRI K. C. BAGHEL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large quantity of manure was imported during the last three years;

(b) if so, the quantity of manure imported (country-wise and year-wise) ; and

(c) the total amount of foreign exchange involved therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): (a) Presumably the reference is to import of bulky organic manures. Imports of such manures are not being made, as these are indigenously produced.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

#### **GRANTS TO NATIONAL COOPERATIVE UNION OF INDIA**

67. SHRI G. R. PATIL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of grants made to the National Cooperative Union of India during the years 1963-64, 1964-65, 1965-66 and 1966-67; and

(b) whether it is a fact that the demands of the National Cooperative Union are not adequately met by the Government and if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): (a) The Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation have given the following grants to National Cooperative Union of India:

			Rs.
1963-64	.	.	3,03,193.05
1964-65	.	.	3,78,399.94
1965-66	.	.	4,00,000.00
1966-67	.	.	4,61,000.00