

**FAMINE CONDITIONS IN STATES**

\*164. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that near-famine conditions prevailed in some States recently;

(b) if so, the names of those States with names of the districts where near-famine conditions were noticed; and

(c) the quantity of foodgrains supplied to each State?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM) : (a) and (b) As far as Government are aware there have been no near-famine conditions in any of the States recently.

(c) Two statements showing actual supplies of rice and wheat, month by month, to all the States (showing separately supplies made to roller flour mills) from Central reserve since 1-1-1964 are placed on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix XLIX, Annexure Nos. 16 and 17].

**ENGINE TROUBLE DEVELOPED BY I.A.C. PLANE NEAR BANGALORE**

\*165. SHRI S. C. DEB: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a plane of the Indian Airlines Corporation developed engine trouble after its departure from Bangalore on the afternoon of the 27th July, 1964 and force-landed at Dabolin Airport; and

(b) if so, how the accident happened and what steps have been taken regarding that?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI N. KANUNGO) : (a) and (b) A Fokker Friendship aircraft of Indian Airlines Corporation, operating a flight from Bombay to Cochin had to force-land at Dabolin Airport in the forenoon of 27th July, 1964, due

to the gear box oil pressure warning light coming ON' during flight. The incident is under investigation. Necessary remedial steps will be taken in the light of recommendations made in the investigation report.

**FOODGRAIN QUOTA FOR U.P.**

\*166. SHRI FARIDUL HAQ ANSARI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Uttar Pradesh did not get its quota of food-grains from the Centre for May and June, 1964 till the end of July, 1964; and

(b) if so, what was the reason for this delay?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. On 1st May, 1964 the U.P. Government had a stock of about 90,000 tons of wheat available with them and they were to receive over 40,01/0 tons against previous allocations. The monthly off-take of wheat in U.P. from State Government's stocks at that time was about 30,000 tons. An allotment of 35,000 tons of wheat was, therefore, made to the Government of U.P. for May and June. During these two months about 47,000 tons of wheat was supplied partly against the allocations for these two months and partly against outstanding allocations for previous months.

**CARAVELLE SERVICE ON MADRAS ROUTE**

\*167. SHRI P. ABRAHAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to drop the Caravelle Service on Madras route; and

(b) if so, why?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI N. KANUNGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.