

तब तक इन मशीनों का बाहर से आयात कर के आवश्यकताओं को पूरा किया जाता रहेगा ।

†[THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI): (a) Hindi Teleprinters are provided in Telegraph Offices where Hindi traffic is heavy, and for training of staff and for lease to subscribers. At present 26 working machines are available.

(b) No. Till manufacture of Hindi teleprinter is commenced by the Hindustan Teleprinters Ltd., requirements are met by importing such machines from abroad.]

#### PACKAGE PLAN SCHEME

51. SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the success so far achieved in Package Plan Scheme;

(b) the broad features of the scheme that have been worked out so far;

(c) the money spent on it;

(d) the increase in production under the scheme;

(e) the total area so far covered;

(f) the places where the scheme is being operated; and

(g) the future plan of the Government in connection with the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH): (a) to (g) A statement is appended.

#### STATEMENT

Parts (a), (d) and (f)—

The programme is at present in operation in seven districts of Ludhiana (Punjab), Tanjore (Madras),

Shahabad (Bihar), Pali (Rajasthan), Raipur (M.P.), Aligarh (U.P.) and West Godavari (A.P.). The results of the crop-cutting experiments conducted during Rabi 1960-61 and Kharif 1961-62 indicate that the average production rate for the various food-grain crops was consistently higher in the programme areas compared to average yield rate for the district as a whole and also for 'control' areas selected outside the districts. The differences in yield rates ranged from about 1 to 2.5 mds. per acre. If the present rate of increases in production is maintained, the target of 40 to 60 per cent of additional production set under the programme may not be difficult of achievement.

Part (b)—

In the selected districts, an intensive effort has been made to reach all farmers and formulate farm and village production plans. The main attempt has been to saturate the total cultivated area with improved varieties of seeds, optimum use of organic manures and fertilizers, adoption of improved agricultural practices, soil and water conservation, use of improved agricultural implements etc. The total requirements of supplies and credit based on production plans are being made available to the farmers. The cooperative marketing is being strengthened in order to enable the cultivator to obtain full market price for his produce. An intensive effort is also being made, particularly through field demonstrations, for dissemination of improved agricultural practices with the help of the existing and additional trained staff.

Part (c)—

The expenditure incurred so far on the implementation of the programme in the first seven districts from the date of its inception is estimated at Rs. 27.64 lakhs. This related to the period upto September, 1961 in the case of Andhra Pradesh, Madras, Madhya Pradesh and Punjab; upto March, 1961 in the case of Bihar; and

upto June, 1961 in the case of Rajasthan and upto March, 1962 in the case of U.P. This excludes an expenditure of Rs. 0.67 lakhs on the headquarters staff and Rs. 22.14 lakhs on purchase of transport equipment. The figures are provisional.

*Part (e) —*

The total cultivated area covered upto the end of Rabi 1961-62 in the first seven districts mentioned above under parts (a), (d) and (f) is about 13 lakh acres which forms about 15 per cent of the total cultivated area of these districts.

*Part (g) —*

The programme is being extended to the following districts in the remaining 8 States:—

- (1) Cachar (Assam).
- (2) Bhandara (Maharashtra).
- (3) Mandya (Mysore).
- (4) Burdwan (West Bengal).
- (5) Palghat and Alleppey (Kerala).
- (6) Sambalpur (Orissa).
- (7) Surat (Gujarat).
- (8) 6 blocks (Jammu and Kashmir).

#### V.F.T. SYSTEM

52. SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the places where the V. F. T. system has been installed so far?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI): V.F.T. systems have been installed so far in 53 stations in India. The list showing the names of stations is placed below.

#### STATEMENT

*List of Stations where V.F.T. systems have been installed*

1. Agra.
2. Ahmedabad.
3. Allahabad.

4. Ambala.
5. Amritsar.
6. Asansol.
7. Banāras.
8. Bangalore.
9. Belgaum.
10. Bhatinda.
11. Bhavnagar.
12. Bhopal.
13. Bombay.
14. Calcutta.
15. Chakradharpur.
16. Chandigarh.
17. Coimbatore.
18. Cuttack.
19. Delhi.
20. Dhanbad.
21. Dibrugarh.
22. Ernakulam.
23. Gauhati.
24. Indore.
25. Jabalpur.
26. Jaipur.
27. Jammu.
28. Jamshedpur.
29. Jodhpur.
30. Jullundur.
31. Kanpur.
32. Kozhikode.
33. Kurnool.
34. Lucknow.
35. Madras.
36. Madurai.
37. Mangalore.
38. Muzaffarpur.
39. Nagpur.
40. Patna.
41. Panjim.
42. Poona.
43. Rajkot.
44. Ranchi.
45. Secunderabad.
46. Shillong.