

5. Orissa.—No objection to use *ghani* oil as far as practicable provided the same is available at reasonable cost.
6. Delhi.—No objection to use *ghani* oil wherever possible.
7. Pondicherry.—Generally in agreement with the recommendation.
8. Tripura.—Recommendation is acceptable.
9. Andaman and Nicobar Islands.—No objection to agree to the recommendation.

REPORT OF INDIAN DELEGATION TO
CHINA ON AGRARIAN CO-OPERATIVES

*156. SHRI P. S. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of Food and AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 272 in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th August, 1957, and state:

(a) whether Government have completed consideration of the report of the Indian delegation to China on agrarian co-operatives;

(b) if so, whether Government have accepted the recommendations of the delegation; and

(c) whether the views of the State Governments have been ascertained in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir. Views and comments of 17 State Governments and Union Territories have been received. Information is awaited from the State Governments of (i) U.P., (ii) Mysore and (iii) Rajasthan.

FODDER DEVELOPMENT

*157. SHRI V. C. KESAVA RAO: Will the Minister of Food and AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have collected any data with a view to finding out fodder requirements of the country;

(b) what steps are being taken by the Central Government to increase the fodder development in the States; and

(c) what is the amount allotted for fodder development in the Second Five Year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN):

(a) Yes.

(b) (i) Financial assistance has been offered to the States for development of feed and fodder resources in the Key Village blocks according to a Model scheme prepared by this Ministry;

(ii) A pilot scheme for the establishment of fodder banks with a view to building up fodder reserves is proposed to be taken up;

(iii) A survey of grass-land in India has been undertaken with a view to evolving sound system of grass land management;

(iv) A Regional Animal Nutrition Stations have been set up with a view to carrying out studies of the common feeds and fodder in the region; and *

(v) The services of a foreign expert have been obtained under the T.C.M. aid programme for advising the Government of India on the development of feed and fodder in the Key Village blocks. Four pasture demonstration centres on State Government farms are proposed to be set up under his guidance.

(c) The provision for this scheme is included in the total allotment of