

**STAFF EMPLOYED IN CENTRAL MECHANISED  
FARM AT SURATGARH**

452. SHRI H. V. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the emoluments paid to the various categories of staff employed at the Central Mechanised Farm, Suratgarh; and

(b) what was the basis on which they were appointed?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN): (a) The emoluments including allowances paid to the non-gazetted staff range between Rs. 70 and Rs. 315 per month, while in the case of the officers, the emoluments range between Rs. 340 to Rs. 3,000 per month.

(b) The appointments were made on the basis of the qualifications and experience of the persons concerned and their suitability for the posts to which they were appointed.

**EARTH-MOVING MACHINERY OF D.V.C.  
AND HIRAKUD PROJECTS**

453. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any earth-moving machinery from Damodar Valley Corporation and Hirakud Projects has been made use of for other projects; and

(b) if so, where and to what extent?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI J. S. L. HATHI): (a) The reply is in the affirmative.

(b) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

**EARTH-MOVING MACHINERY**

454. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the value of earth moving machinery imported during the First Five Year Plan Period; and

(b) the extent of such machinery which is now unfit for further use?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI J. S. L. HATHI): (a) The value of earth moving machinery imported during the First Plan period for river valley projects is Rs. 18-36 crores.

(b) The information is being collected from the State Governments/ Project authorities and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

**AVERAGE RECOVERY OF SUGAR IN BIHAR  
BOMBAY, MYSORE AND UTTAR PRADESH**

455. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the latest figures available in respect of the average recovery of sugar obtained in Bihar, Bombay, Mysore and Uttar Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN): The average percentage recovery of sugar from sugarcane during 1956-57 season was as under:—

Bihar	.. ..	9:37
Bombay	.. ..	11:69
Mysore	.. ..	9:16
Uttar Pradesh	.. ..	9-69

**DAK-TAR JOURNAL**

456. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will file Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of copies of the monthly journal "Dak-Tar" which are given free; and