and each one is habituated to use some. Of course, it should be possible to determine which will be more efficient, but I am afraid we have not done much work in this direction.

Oral Answers

SHRI G. RANGA: What has happened, Sir, to that newly invented plough about which there was so much advertisement six years ago by the Agricultural Engineering Section of the Government of India in New Delhi? Has it been put into service anywhere, or has it been experimented upon?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: I am not sure which plough he is referring to.

SHRI G. RANGA: There was only one plough.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The question is with regard to the recommendations of the Conference. are going too much into details.

SANITARY INSPECTORS ON RAILWAYS

*180. SHRI PERATH NARAYAN-AN NAIR (ON BEHALF OF SHRI N. C. Will the Minister for SEKHAR): RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Sanitary Inspectors working in each railway zone on the 31st October, 1956; and
- (b) the total number of such Sanitary Inspectors who were on the lowest pay scale as on that date?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) and (b) A statement is placed on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT'-

Railway	(a) No. of Sanitary Inspectors working in railway zones on the 31st October 1956	pectors who
South-Ea	stern 49	25
Eastern	54	$\overline{28}$
Southern	106	53
Central	78	43
Western	26	15
North-Ea	stern	
	59	34
Northern	45	25
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RICE IMPORTED FROM BURMA.

*185. SHRI M. VALLIULLA (ON behalf of Moulana M. Faruoi): Will the Minister for FOOD and AGRI-CULTURE be pleased to state:

to Questions

- (a) the quantity of rice which has so far been received from Burma during the current year; and
- (b) the manner in which this rice has been distributed to the various States?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR FOOD (SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA): (a) About 213 thousand tons of rice has been received on Government account from Burma during the current calendar year up to the 20th November 1956.

(b) Out of this rice about thousand tons has been distributed to the various States as follows:--

State						Quantity ('000 tons)
Assam						1.0
Jammu and Kashmir						14.4
Mysore						4'1
Orissa						19.8
Andaman and Nicober Islands						0.5
Tripura						8.7
West Ben			:			67.6
East Paki	stan	•				2.0
						117.8

The balance has been taken to Central Depots out of which a part has already been issued directly to the public.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: What is the amount of rice that we are likely to purchase in this year, and how much it has yet to come? The quantity is about 2 million tons.

SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA: We had contracted for 300 thousand tons for this year, and except 25 thousand tons. the rest has already come.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: That is true, Sir. But I want to know whether the balance of 17 lakh tons of rice will have to be purchased under the agreement.

SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA: In five years we had contracted for 2 million tons, out of which we wanted to import