

laya, Tripura and Bihar. The State-wise distribution is as under :—

	(Persons)
West Bengal	12 98 lakhs
Assam	0 49 „
Meghalaya	1.66 „
Tripura	3 03 „
Bihar	0 03 „
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(c) As it is expected that these refugees will go back to their homes as soon as normal conditions are available. Government does not propose to take any action for their rehabilitation in India

(d) Yes. The Government of India have sent an appeal to all foreign Governments seeking their help in solving this colossal human problem. Some assistance both in cash and in kind has been received from some International Voluntary Organisations. A delegation from UNHCR has also visited the refugee camps and has made an assessment of the situation and the needs. The quantum of foreign assistance that may be forthcoming, is however, still not known.

(e) The actual expenditure incurred is not available as most of the expenditure is incurred by the State Governments to be eventually reimbursed by the Government of India. A sum of Rs. 6 crores 80 lakhs has been sanctioned to the concerned State Governments etc. as 'on account advances' upto 24.5.1971 for expenditure on relief and Rs. 800 lakhs advanced to the Food Corporation of India for procurement of food grains for these refugees.

#### Abolition of Land Revenue in States

500. SHRI R. R. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE (KRISHI MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Punjab Government has recently abolished land revenue ;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard ; and

(c) whether Government propose to impress upon other States to abolish land revenue in order to give incentive to farmers for increasing food production in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (KRISHI MANTRALAYA MEN RAJYA MANTRI) (SHRI ANNASAHAB P. SHINDE) : (a) Government of Punjab have taken a decision to abolish land revenue. The decision has not yet been implemented.

(b) and (c). Land Revenue is a State subject.

#### Import of Foodgrains

501. SHRI R. R. SINGH DEO :  
SHRI R. S. PANDEY :  
SHRI K. S. CHAVDA :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE (KRISHI MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) the total likely production of wheat and other food-grains in the country during the current year, and the steps taken to boost production of foodgrains ;

(b) the total quantity of foodgrains imported from U.S.A and other countries during the last year and likely imports during the current year ; and

(c) whether Government have decided to stop import of foodgrains either from U.S.A. or from any other country and if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (KRISHI MANTRALAYA MEN RAJYA MANTRI) (SHRI ANNASAHAB P. SHINDE) : (a) Firm estimates of production of wheat and other food-grains during 1970-71 are not yet available. According to the available indications, total production of foodgrains