

Employees In Pepsi Co. (USA) in the Country

3443. SHRI RAM SAJIWAN: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employees of Pepsi Co. (USA) employed in the country in the Punjab's Agro-Pepsi Projects; and

(b) the details of Departments of Punjab Agro Pepsi Project in which they are working?

THE MINISTER FOR TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a). M/s. Pepsi Foods Pvt. Ltd. have indicated that two employees of Pepsico. USA, are employed by them, both as full time Directors.

(b) According to the information furnished by M/s Pepsico Foods Private Limited both the employees referred to at (a) above are in charge of potato and grain based business operations and export business development.

[*Translation*]

Supply of Essential Commodities to States

3435. SHRIRAJENDRA AGNIHOTRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether supply of essential commodities to States are in adequate as compared to their demands; and

(b) if so, the efforts made by Government to increase the supply of essential commodities through Public Distribution System and to streamline the producer in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) and (b). The Allocation of essential commodities to States/UTs under Public Distribution System are made on the basis of the following criteria:

Rice & Wheat: Allocation of these items is made on a month to month basis, taking into account overall availability of stock in Central Pool, relative needs of various states, market availability, past off take and other related factors.

Levy sugar: Allocation of levy sugar is made on a uniform norm of 425 grams per capita monthly availability for the projected population as on 1.10.1986.

Edible Oils: The allocation of imported edible oils is made keeping in view the availability of indigenous oils in the open market, stock of imported oils with the Government, and other related factors.

Kerosene: Allocation of this items is made by allowing a suitable growth over the allocations made in the corresponding period of the previous year.

The supply of essential commodities under Public Distribution System is supplemental in nature and not intended to meet the entire requirement of States /UTs.

Amount Spent of Indira Gandhi Canal Project

3436. SHRI GOPAL PACHERWAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the time by which Indira Gandhi Canal Project is likely to be completed; and

(b) the amount spent on this Project so far and the total amount expected to be spent on this Project?