

want to know to what extent it has gone up and the steps taken by the Government to see that the prices in West Bengal or in other border areas do not go up.

Shri S. K. Patil: When the jute production failed two years ago, there was a very concerted effort in West Bengal in order to increase jute production. Therefore lands, as much as 6 to 7 lakh acres, were transferred from rice to jute. The result was, as was expected, rice production slightly went down. This year, the production will be now coming. I am told, is very good.

Shri Priya Gupta: Did the Government, before sanctioning conversion of paddy growing land into jute growing land, take a census as to whether it will result in shortage of food production or not?

Shri S. K. Patil: The hon. Member knows that there is no law in this land by which any Government can do it.

Shri Priya Gupta: The Central Government decision is there.

Mr. Speaker: Order, order; he wants to know whether any census was taken.

Shri Priya Gupta: These are avoiding replies.

Shri S. K. Patil: I am avoiding nothing. I am merely saying as I have said very often that crop planning by legislation has got to be taken. That strengthens the case. As it is, a farmer is free to do anything he likes in his land.

Shri Priya Gupta: Jute cultivation has been imposed on them.

श्री यशपाल सिंह : क्या यह सही है कि चावल निब्वत भेजा जा रहा है और उस से यहाँ क्राएंसिस पैदा हो गयी है और मुनाफा-खोरी बढ़ गयी है ?

श्री स० का० पाटिल : इन दिनों इस अनुचित मुनाफाखोरी पर बड़ा रिस्ट्रिक्शन हो गया है और वह चीज नहीं होने पायेगी ।

Shri Sham Lal Saraf: May I know whether it has come to the notice of the Government that anti-social elements in Pathankot Tehsil in Punjab and Kathua Tehsil in Jammu and Kashmir State are engaged in smuggling rice to Pakistan?

Mr. Speaker: We have gone from eastern region to the northern.

Shri Sham Lal Saraf: The question is one of smuggling.

Shri D. C. Sharma: On a point of order, Sir, the hon. gentleman knows nothing about Pathankot. I represent Pathankot. I know much. Every time he mentions Pathankot and brings in Gurdaspur about which he knows nothing.

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. Every hon. Member is supposed to know everything.

Shri Sham Lal Saraf: He is questioning my integrity....

Mr. Speaker: Order, order now. Next question.

ग्रामदान क्षेत्रों में कृषि उत्पादन

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सामुदायिक विकास, पंचायती राज और सहकार मंत्री ७ अगस्त, १९६२ के अतारंगकित प्रश्न संख्या १३१ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या ग्रामदान गांवों और भूदान क्षेत्रों में सहकारी समितियों को कृषि उत्पादन के लिये वित्तीय सहायता देने के प्रश्न पर इस बीच विचार किया गया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका क्या नतीजा निकला ?

सामुदायिक विकास, पंचायती राज और सहकार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री श्यामलाल मिश्र) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) ग्रामदान और भूदान क्षेत्रों में स्थापित की गई सहकारी समितियों को १

करोड़ की विशेष निधि में से वित्तीय सहायता देने का निर्णय किया गया है।

Shri Shree Narayan Das: May I know what is the number of such gramdan villages and to what extent expenditure has been incurred so far?

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: The number of villages is 4640. As I said, there is no expenditure still out of the special fund. There has been expenditure out of the general fund.

Shri Shree Narayan Das: May I know by what time it is expected that the whole scheme would be put in operation?

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: A decision has been taken. We hope to communicate to the States about the scheme very soon. Action will be taken shortly.

डा० गोविन्द दास : क्या यह बात सही नहीं है कि यह जो ४०० के करीब गांव मिले हैं यह अलग अलग राज्यों में हैं और अलग अलग क्षेत्रों में मिले हैं और इन को जब सहायता दी जायगी तो क्या इस बात का ख्याल रक्खा जायगा कि जहाँ की ज़मी परिस्थिति हो उसके अनुसार उन को सहायता दी जाय और उसके लिये एक योजना बनाई जाय ?

श्री श्यामधर मिश्र : दरअसल मैंने जैसा कहा कि ४६०० के करीब गांव हैं जो कि ग्रामदान में मिले हैं। करीब करीब ४५ लाख एकड़ भूमि भूदान में मिली है। अब हर जगह की परिस्थितियां भिन्न भिन्न हैं और इसीलिये एक करोड़ की विशेष निधि इसलिये नहीं है कि हर जगह एक ही किस्म की स्कीम लागू होगी। शीट टर्म कर्ज लोग लेंगे, मीडियम टर्म लेंगे और साथ ही लोग टर्म लेंगे। एग््रीकल्चरल प्रोडक्शन प्रोग्राम के लिये जैसी जहाँ की परिस्थिति होगी वसी उसको सहायता दी जायगी।

Shri Bhagwat Jha Anand: May I know whether the Government has worked the economics or considered

what is the ratio of increased financial assistance to increased production in these areas?

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: There is no special economics involved in these special areas. It has already been calculated that increased financial assistance through co-operative societies for agricultural production would give increase in agricultural production because through agricultural financial assistance the various States give fertilisers, seeds and other things and with these helps, there is additional production.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: The Minister for Agriculture or more precisely the Minister of State for Agriculture, answering a question of mine five months ago said that as much as two-thirds or near about that of the land gifted to Acharya Vinoba Bhave during Bhoodan yatra still remained to be distributed to the landless labourers or co-operative societies. May I know what the position is today, whether a considerable portion of the land which Acharya Vinoba Bhave acquired during his Bhoodan yatra is uncultivable, not fit for cultivation?

Mr. Speaker: That is not the question here. It has nothing to do with the present question.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: Bhoodan...

Mr. Speaker: It is financial assistance that is to be given to Bhoodan villages and not allotment of land.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: The question which I put last time was, how much had been given. The Minister said that two-thirds had not been distributed yet.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. Member will realise that here, the stress is financial assistance for agricultural production to cooperative societies in gramdan villages. It is financial assistance. Shri Sivamurthi Swamy.

Shri Sivamurthi Swamy: How much amount has been set apart in the

Third Five Year Plan for Gramdan villages?

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: No specific amount is set apart except the special fund of Rs. 1 crore.

Civilian Pilots

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Shri S. M. Banerjee:

Will the Minister of **Transport and Communications** be pleased to state:

(a) the number of civilian pilots trained by Government as are still out of employment; and

(b) whether they are likely to be absorbed in the near future?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Mohiuddin): (a) 6 Commercial Pilots with current 'B' licences, trained at the Civil Aviation Training Centre, Allahabad, are believed to be unemployed at present.

(b) Yes, Sir.

Shri Umanath: The Government have spent Rs. 75,000 for training each of them. May I know whether the Government contemplates or have already absorbed any of them or all of them for defence purposes in view of the national emergency and what are the factors which stand in the way of absorbing them?

Shri Mohiuddin: They will be absorbed when they are called upon for duty.

Shri Umanath: What is the number of students still being trained in the Allahabad institute and may I know whether the Government intends to extend the capacity of the Allahabad institute?

Shri Mohiuddin: At present, there are 15 students under training. As regards expansion, of course, that will take place, if necessary.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: May I know the total number of trained civilian

pilots who are unemployed today and the reasons for not absorbing them immediately under the Ministry of Defence to meet the national emergency?

Shri Mohiuddin: If they are called, they will certainly be asked to join and they will be called upon to do the duties.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: I have a submission to make in this regard. You will remember, Sir, that we had a number of discussions here about these civilian pilots.

Mr. Speaker: What is the information that the hon. Member wants?

Shri S. M. Banerjee: My submission is that even the Minister does not know the total number and that is why he is saying like this.

Mr. Speaker: I think that question has been answered many a time before. Has the hon. Minister got the figure in regard to the total number at present?

Shri Mohiuddin: I have stated that there are these trainees who were trained at Allahabad....

Shri S. M. Banerjee: I am talking of Allahabad, not of China.

Shri Mohiuddin: I have stated that there are six unemployed pilots who have renewed the licence and who are still unemployed. That is the definite information.

Shri Tyagi: This particular question does not relate to Allahabad pilots only, but it is a general question.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: They were all trained in Allahabad.

Mr. Speaker: Does Shri Tyagi want to put any supplementary question?

Shri Tyagi: May I know whether the Ministry are making a complete survey of the pilots all over the country, in view of the present emergency?