Sugar

Shri S. M. Banerice: Shri Nambiar: Shri M. N. Swamy: *40. Dr. Saradish Roy: Shri Imbichibava: Shri P. Kunhan; Shri Karni Singhji:

Shri E. Madhusudan Rao:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that scarcity and high price of sugar continue in various parts of the country despite Government's measures to combat them; and
- (b) if so, the further steps Government propose to take in the matter?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) The shortage of sugar is due to fall in production. The price of sugar is fixed by Government on the basis of costs of production.

(b) Measures to step up production of sugar in 1964-65 season are under consideration.

Nationalisation of Rice Mills

Shri A K. Gopalan: Shri Nambiar: Shri Imbichibava: Shri Shashi Ranjan: Shri Bishanchander Seth: Shri Onkar Lai Berwa: Shri Dhaon. Shri B. P. Yadava; Shri Rameshwar Tantia: Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah: Shri Yashpal Singh: Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey: *41. \ Shrimati Savitri Nigam: Shri P. C. Borocah: Shri Kapur Singh: Shri Solanki: Shri Buta Singh: Shri Narasimha Reddy: Shri P. R. Chakraverti: Shri Daji: Shri Kolla Venkalah: Shri Basappa:

Shri Sham Lal Saraf: Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are considering the nationalisation of rice mills in the country;
- (b) whether any decision to this effect has been taken; and
 - (c) if so, the features thereof?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) to (c) There is at present no proposal to nationalise rice mills. The State Governments have however been advised to give preference to cooperative societies in the matter of setting up of new rice mills. It is proposed to install six modern rice milling units in the public or cooperative sector for purposes of pilot study and evaluation. These units are expected to give an increased outturn to the extent of 8-10 per cent. On the basis of the evaluation study further decisions will be taken.

दिल्ली-की सहकारी समितियां

भी हरि विष्णु कामतः भी विधास प्रसाव: भी स॰ मो॰ बनर्जी: भी म० ला० दिवेदी: भीमती सावित्री निगमः भी स॰ चं॰ सामन्तः *42.√ श्री सुबोच हंसदाः भी यशपाल सिंहः भी इन्द्रजीत गप्तः भी कपूर सिंहः भी रामेश्वर टांटियाः भी विशनचन्त्र सेठः भी भी० प्र० वादवः भी घवनः भी भौंकार लाल बेरवाः

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