

elections to the State Legislature and Parliament simultaneously;

(b) the amount of expenditure incurred on the last elections to Orissa State Legislature and also on Parliamentary elections, separately; and

(c) the total expenditure for the State incurred when these elections were held together in 1957?

The Minister of Law and Social Security (Shri A. K. Sen): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The expenditure incurred on the last general elections to the State Legislative Assembly in 1961 was approximately Rs. 13 lakhs. The expenditure on Parliamentary elections in 1962 was approximately Rs. 17,84,000.

(c) The total expenditure for both the elections held together in 1957 was Rs. 34,89,293.

Seizure of Foodgrains in Delhi

*47. { Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Bade:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri Naval Prabhakar:
Shri Krishna Pal Singh:
Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Shree Narayan Das:
Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that about 2 lakh maunds of foodgrains had been seized by the Delhi Administration from alleged hoarders and smugglers of grains on the 29th July, 1964 in the course of raids on a number of godowns made in consultation with the Ministry of Home Affairs; and

(b) if so, what further steps have been taken to unearth such hoardings of foodgrains?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

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*48. श्री नवल प्रभाकर : क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली, पंजाब, हिमाचल प्रदेश तथा उत्तर प्रदेश को मिला कर एक खाद्य जौन बनाया जा रहा है ;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो इसके कब तक बन जाने की संभावना है ; और

(ग) दिल्ली तथा हिमाचल प्रदेश में इसका क्या प्रभाव पड़ने की संभावना है ?

खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री (श्री बि० सुब्रह्मण्यम) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग). प्रश्न ही नहीं उठते ।

बन्दरगाहों पर खाद्यान्नों का रखा जाना

*49. श्री प्रोफ़ेसर लाल बेरवा : क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बम्बई, कलकत्ता तथा मद्रास जैसे विभिन्न बन्दरगाहों में खाद्यान्नों को रखने में बड़ी कठिनाई हो रही है ; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार का क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है ?

खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री (श्री बि० सुब्रह्मण्यम) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता ।

Sugar Distribution

*50. { Dr. L. M. Singhvi:
Shri Chandrak:

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

(a) whether Government have received any complaints regarding

certain serious shortcomings in the distribution of sugar for the last two months; and

(b) if so, the broad features thereof and the action taken to relieve the position?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Corporation for Development of Tourism

- *51. {
 Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
 Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
 Shri Bishanchander Seth:
 Shri B. P. Yadava:
 Shri Dhaon:
 Shri Surendra Pal Singh:
 Shri D. C. Sharma:
 Shri M. L. Dwivedi:
 Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
 Shri S. C. Samanta:
 Shri Subodh Hansda:
 Shri Hem Raj:
 Shri Sham Lal Saraf:
 Shri P. E. Chakraverti:
 Shri K. C. Pant:

Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering a plan to establish a Corporation to develop tourism in the country;

(b) if so, the broad features thereof; and

(c) the stage at which the matter stands at present?

The Minister of Transport (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) to (c). On the basis of a recommendation made by the Ad Hoc Committee on Tourism, it has been decided to set up corporations under the Indian Companies Act for handling various activities of a commercial and quasi-commercial nature connected with tourism. The preliminary details regarding the scope and functions and the financial estimates of the proposed corporations have been worked out and after they have been finalised, it is expected that the corporations will be set up before the end of this year.

Prices of Mustard Seeds and Oil

- *52. {
 Dr. Saradish Roy:
 Shri Dinen Bhattacharya:
 Dr. Ranen Sen:
 Shri Sarkar Murmu:
 Shri Vishram Prasad:
 Shri S. M. Banerjee:
 Shrimati Renu Chakravarty:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the price of mustard seeds in U.P. and Punjab has boosted up recently;

(b) whether it is also a fact that as a result thereof the price of mustard oil has gone up in eastern States; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to check the rise in price?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) Prices of mustard seeds have, of late risen in U.P. and Punjab as well as in other States.

(b) Prices in the Eastern States have risen in sympathy with the upward trend in other States including U.P. and Punjab.

(c) The steps taken by the Government are: tightening of margin requirements on advances by scheduled banks, banning of forward trading and restricting the exports of oilseeds and vegetable oils.

Old Age Pension Scheme

- *53. {
 Shri Surendrapal Singh:
 Shri Nambiar:
 Dr. Saradish Roy:
 Shri P. Kumbhar:
 Shri M. N. Swamy:
 Shri Yashpal Singh:
 Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
 Shri M. L. Dwivedi:
 Shri S. C. Samanta:
 Shri D. C. Sharma:
 Shri Solanki:
 Shri Narasimhan Reddy:
 Shri P. K. Deo:
 Shri Subodh Hansda:
 Shri Bagri:

Will the Minister of Social Security be pleased to state: