

श्री युद्धवीर सिंह : प्रायः हर वर्ष यह होता है कि अगर बारिश अधिक हो जाती है या बाढ़ आ जाती है और फसल खराब हो जाती है तो इस को प्रकृति का प्रकोप दिखला कर छुटकारा पा लिया जाता है और फसल अच्छी हो जाती है तो सरकार ने खाद के जरिये से या ऋण के जरिये से या अन्य साधनों से किसानों की मदद की है, उस का क्रेडिट ले लिया जाता है। आपके पास पूरे का पूरा जब फसल का व्यौरा आ जायगा तो क्या उस को आप इस सदन की पटल पर रखेंगे ? इस बार अगर पंद्रह प्रतिशत ज्यादा उपज हुई है और फसल अच्छी हुई है तो वह क्या इस कारण से हुई है कि आप की तरफ से किसानों को सहायता मिली थी या खाली राम भरोसे ही सब कुछ हो गया है ?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri C. Subramaniam): The reverse was true. Whenever production goes down, the Government is blamed; whenever production goes up, it is due to Nature. Therefore, the Government never gets any credit whenever there is increased production.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Acreage under Jute Cultivation

*1036. { **Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:**
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shri Rama Chandra Mallick:

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

(a) the total acreage brought under jute cultivation in Orissa during 1964-65;

(b) the production of jute in Orissa during the same period;

(c) whether there is any decline in production in comparison to the preceding year; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri C. Subramaniam):

(a) 0.55 lakh hectares.

(b) 4.15 lakh bales (provisional).

(c) The production during 1964-65 declined to 4.15 lakh bales in comparison to the production of 4.71 lakh bales during 1963-64.

(d) The decrease in production during 1964-65 is attributed generally to deficient rains during the growing period of the crop.

Agricultural Prices Commission

{ **Shri Rameshwar Tantia:**
Shri Madhu Limaye:
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:
*1045. { **Shri Kishen Pattnayak:**
Shri D. J. Nalk:
Shri P. R. Patel:
Shri Chhotubhai Patel:

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

(a) whether Government have received the report on grain prices by the Agricultural Prices Commission which was appointed recently;

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

(c) if not, when it is likely to be received?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri C. Subramaniam):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No date has been fixed for it.