

Development and Cooperation (Shri Shinde): (a) and (b). The recommendations of the Committee are still under examination of the Government in consultation with the interests concerned.

Seed Farms in States

- *58. **Shri Eswara Reddy:**
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Shri K. N. Tiwary:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:
Shri Rishang Keishing:

Will the Minister of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Centrally sponsored seed farms are proposed to be set up in any State during 1966-67; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Shyam Dhar Misra): (a) and (b). No Centrally sponsored seed farms are proposed to be set up in any State. However, proposals for setting up five Central seed farms, to be managed directly by the Central Government, during the current year are under consideration. The details are being finalised.

Fertiliser Factory in Cooperative Sector

- *59. **Shri Nambiar:**
Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:
Shri Dajji:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri R. S. Pandey:
Shri Vasudevan Nafr:
Shri Raghunath Singh:
Shri R. Barua:

Will the Minister of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have asked the U.S. Agency for International Development to arrange for a techno-economic feasibility study for the establishment of a fertiliser factory in the cooperative sector;

(b) if so, the terms proposed; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Shyam Dhar Misra): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A team from U.S.A. for carrying out the feasibility study is expected in September, 1966. The terms and conditions for the proposed factory will be known only after the study is carried out.

Agricultural Indebtedness in Union Territories

- *60. **Shrimati Savitri Nigam:**
Shri Daljit Singh:

Will the Minister of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation be pleased to state the steps which Government have taken to remove agricultural indebtedness in the Union Territories?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Shyam Dhar Misra): The cooperative credit structure is being strengthened to enable it to provide adequate credit to agriculturists at reasonable rates for production purposes. Taccavi loans for production purposes are also being provided by Government where necessary. There is provision for giving distress taccavi in deserving cases. Legislation to control money lending and to provide debt relief is also in force in some Union Territories.

Sugar Mills in Cooperative/Public Sector

99. **Shri Kishen Pattanayak:**
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:
Shri Madhu Limaye:

Will the Minister of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation be pleased to state:

(a) the States which have decided to set up sugar mills only in the cooperative and public sectors; and