

**Reddy**): (a) and (b). Air services between Delhi-Chandigarh and Bombay-Poona have been resumed from 1st October and 20th October, 1966, respectively. The Corporation intend operating air services on the following routes in the near future:—

- (1) Patna-Muzaffarpur.
- (2) Trichy-Colombo.
- (3) Trivandrum-Colombo.
- (4) Bombay-Bhuj.

#### **Standardisation of Foodstuffs**

**\*284. Shri S. C. Samanta:**  
**Shri M. L. Dwivedi:**  
**Shri Subodh Hansda:**  
**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:**  
**Shri P. C. Borooah:**  
**Dr. M. M. Das:**

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

(a) the reasons for doing little in the field of standardisation of foodstuffs so far;

(b) whether it is proposed to make the marketing and standardisation schemes compulsory, in view of the large scale adulteration of foodstuffs;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken for ensuring supply of pure foodstuffs?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of **Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation** (Shri **Shyam Dhar Misra**): (a) to (d). The necessary information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

#### **I.A.C. Time Table**

**\*286. Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** Will the Minister of **Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism** be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for bringing the frequent changes in the Indian Airlines Corporation Time Table; and

(b) the reasons for the delays which occur very frequently in the IAC Flights?

The Minister of **Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism** (Shri **Sanjiva Reddy**): (a) The schedules are normally changed twice a year to cater for seasonal changes. Changes in schedules have, however, been necessitated as and when there is a change in the fleet position.

(b) One of the important reasons for delays to the I.A.C. flights is the limited number of aircraft available and large number of flights which I.A.C. is obliged to operate with the limited fleet at its disposal. The recent loss of two Caravelle aircraft has made the position more acute.

#### **Agricultural Teaching**

**\*287. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of **Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that progress in agricultural teaching has not been satisfactory, although the expenditure on education has become 400 per cent high during the last three Five Year Plans;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken in the matter?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of **Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation** (Shri **Shyam Dhar Misra**): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) In so far as higher education in Agriculture is concerned, the following is broadly the progress and development so far:—

- (i) New Colleges have been opened where necessary and existing colleges expanded raising the annual intake in the Agricultural Colleges from 1,254 in 1953 to about 10,660 in 1965 and in Vety. Colleges from 615 in 1953 to about 1580 in

1965. There are at present 70 Agricultural Colleges and 20 Veterinary Colleges and this is expected to meet the country's requirement on the whole.

- (ii) 36 Agricultural and 12 Veterinary Institutions are at present imparting education at postgraduate level which will meet country's requirements.
- (iii) In order to improve the present standards of undergraduate education, minimum standards drawn up by an Expert Committee have been circulated to all the States and institutions concerned.
- (iv) Model syllabii for Agricultural and Veterinary courses have been drawn up by *ad hoc* Committees and circulated to all concerned.
- (v) In order to encourage meritorious students to prosecute their studies, a large number of scholarships and fellowships are being given annually both at under-graduate and post-graduate level.
- (vi) Refresher courses are being conducted within the country for the benefit of teachers.
- (vii) Under an agreement with U.S.A., teachers from selected Institutes are being sent abroad for higher training.
- (viii) In order to equip the Laboratories for selected colleges, equipment is being imported from abroad under an aid agreement with the U.S.A. Government.
- (ix) With a view to placing Agricultural Education on a sound footing, 8 April. Universities have been set up in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Mysore, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, U.P., and West Bengal in which Teaching Re-

search and Extension has been integrated to a large extent.

- (x) Suitable grants are being given to institutions for making improvements.

### कृषि के आंकड़े

\*288. श्री मोहन स्वरूप :

श्री विभूति मिश्र :

श्री क० ना० तिवारी :

श्री अल्लवारस :

श्री हरि विष्णु कामत :

श्री सुरेन्द्र नाथ द्विवेदी :

श्री हेम बरधवा :

क्या खाद्य, कृषि, सामुदायिक विकास तथा सहकार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्रालय के महानिदेशक डा० बी० आर० सेन ने बताया है कि सरकार द्वारा नैशर किए गये कृषि उत्पादन तथा वास्तविक उत्पादन के आंकड़ों में भारी अन्तर है ;

(ख) क्या उन्होंने यह भी कहा है कि मंत्रालय के किमा आंकड़ों में इतना अधिक अन्तर नहीं होता है तथा भारत में आंकड़े एकत्र करने का प्रक्रिया तत्प्राप्त द्वारा है ; और

(ग) यदि हाँ, तो सरकार की इस संबंध में क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

खाद्य, कृषि, सामुदायिक विकास तथा सहकार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री इयामचर मिश्र) : (क) इन विषय में खाद्य एवं कृषि मंत्रालय के महानिदेशक डा० बी० आर० सेन ने कोई पत्र प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न ही नहीं होता।

### Rice Procurement in West Bengal

\*289. Shri Indrajit Gupta: Will the Minister of Food, Agriculture, Com-