

has been adopted by the Government; and

(b) what steps have been taken to implement the same?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): (a) The principle has already been accepted in its entirety.

(b) The recommendations of the Central Council of Health were commended to all State Governments. Moreover, the matter was considered by the Medical School Education Conference as early as November, 1938, who recommended that one uniform minimum standard of training and qualification for practitioners of modern scientific medicine should be established throughout India and that the standard should be such as should satisfy the requirements laid down by the Medical Council of India. As a result of this recommendation, all the medical institutions imparting licentiate training except one, viz., the Arya Medical School, Ludhiana, have either been upgraded or closed.

Rural Electrification in Bombay State

*422 **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bombay Government have requested the Centre for any aid for rural electrification in the State; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by the Centre in this regard?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) The State Government have been informed by the Planning Commission of the pattern of Central assistance for rural electrification schemes under the Second Five Year Plan.

Rajasthan Desert

*423. **Shri Jhulan Sinha:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No 488 on the 25th

February, 1958 and state whether the measures so far taken by the Central and State Governments have succeeded to any extent in checking the expansion and spread of the Rajasthan desert?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): The results of the measures taken could be assessed only after a lapse of years; as the work is of a long term nature. At present it is only in an experimental stage.

Wheat from Australia

*424. **Shri Hem Barua:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that Australia proposes to provide India shortly with 9,000 tons of wheat;

(b) if so, what is the estimated price of this wheat, and

(c) how do Government propose to utilise the sale proceeds of it?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) The Government of Australia supplied in October, 1958, about 9.45 thousand tons of wheat as a gift, under the Colombo Plan.

(b) The C.I.F. value of this wheat is approximately Rs 31 lakhs.

(c) The matter is under consideration.

Family Planning

*426. { **Shri Assar:**
Shri Ram Krishan:
Shri N. R. Munisamy:
Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Tangamani:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Family Planning Board met in Delhi

on 15th November, 1958 to consider the progress of the Family Planning Programmes achieved so far;

(b) if so the progress made upto now; and

(c) the decisions taken by the Board?

The Minister of Health (Shri D. P. Karnmarkar): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A note is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 68.]

State Trading in Foodgrains

*427. { Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Shree Narayan Das:
Shri Ram Krishan:
Shri Panigrahi:
Shri Bimal Ghose:
Shri Mahanty:
Shri N. R. Munsamy:
Shri Assar:
Shri Vajpayee:
Shri Nanshir Bharucha:
Shri L. Achaw Singh:
Shri Sadhan Gupta:

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

(a) whether a decision has been taken by the National Development Council to have State Trading in Foodgrains;

(b) if so, whether the Union Ministry of Food and Agriculture and the Planning Commission are drawing up a scheme to this effect;

(c) if so, what will be the outline of the scheme; and

(d) the date from which this scheme is likely to be implemented?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The details are being worked out by a Group of officers for the consideration of the Government.

Location of Second Shipyard

{ Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Ram Krishan:
Shri Padam Dev:
Shri Kadiyan:
Shri V. C. Shukla:
Shri Damani:
Shri Narayanankutty
*428. { Menon:
Shri Mohammed Imam:
Shri Wodeyar:
Shri A. K. Gopalan:
Shri Punnoose:
Shri Vasudevan Nair:
Shri Nagi Reddy:
Shri Jadhav:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether the High Level Committee appointed to examine the report of the British Shipyard Mission regarding location of Second Shipyard has finalised its work;

(b) if so, what are the recommendations of the Committee;

(c) the place finally selected by Government for establishing the second shipyard; and

(d) the steps taken to get financial assistance for the second shipyard?

The Ministry of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Not yet. The Committee are still examining certain technical points.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Jackal Menace in Delhi

*429. { Shri Ram Krishan:
Shri Bhakt Darshan:
Shri Naval Prabhakar:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Jackal menace is increasing day by day in parts of New Delhi, particularly in the new colonies; and

(b) if so, the nature of steps taken so far or proposed to be taken in the matter?