

(c) It is therefore not possible at this stage to estimate accurately the expenditure to be incurred.

Mysore Sugar Factory

*97. **Shri N. Rachiah:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a representation was submitted to him during his visit to Mysore in June 1955 by the Sugar-Cane Growers for the expansion of the Mysore sugar factory; and

(b) if so, the nature and extent of financial assistance proposed to be given by Government?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) and (b). A few persons claiming to be representatives of sugarcane growers round about Mandya saw the Minister of Food and Agriculture and talked in a general way about the expansion of the existing factory. No formal proposal was made and no details were discussed.

Godowns

*98. **Shri Barman:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the storage capacity of food-grains so far constructed by the Union Government;

(b) the scientific or technical methods adopted to increase the keeping quality of grains stored; and

(c) the total quantity of foodgrains stored at present in these godowns?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) 2.33 lakh tons.

(b) Disinfestation and fumigation.

(c) 2.02 lakh tons.

Deep-Sea Fishing

*99. **Shri Eswara Reddi:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Indian fishermen are going to Norway for training in deep-sea fishing;

(b) if so, under whose auspices they are going and for how long;

(c) whether Government have finalised their proposals for the opening of centres in India for such training; and

(d) if so, when and where these will be imparted?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). Facilities for training in deep sea fishing already exist on the vessels of the Central Deep Sea Fishing Station, Bombay and of the Government of West Bengal at Culcutta and will be further expanded. Centres for training in mechanised fishing are being established at Satpati (BOMBAY), Tuticorin (Madras) and Cochin (Travancore-Cochin). Satpati Centre will start functioning from 1-8-1955 and the other two ear in 956.

Norwegian Aid Programme

*100. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the works to be undertaken under the Norwegian Aid Programme during the current year; and

(b) the amount allotted therefor?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) A statement is placed on the Table. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 25].

(b) About Rs. 4,45,000/-.

All-India Mango Show

*101. { **Shri S. N. Das:**
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:

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

(a) Whether it is a fact that an All-India Mango show was organised by the I.C.A.R. in Bombay in May, 1955;

(b) The main features of the show;

(c) the nature and extent of participation of non-official growers of this fruit in the show; and

(d) how many prizes were awarded for the best fruit exhibited?

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

(b) and (c). A statement is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 26].

(d) A silver trophy worth Rs. 200/- was awarded for the best fruit of the Show