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30.	Vishal Pipe Udyog Ltd., Sikandrabad.	M S Tubes
31.	Agarwal Tubes Pvt. Ltd., Muzaffarnagar.	M S Tubes
32.	Singhal Pesticides Industries, Muzaffarnagar.	Endosulfan 35% EC
33.	Shivalik Tubes Pvt. Ltd., Muzaffarnagar.	M S Tubes
34.	Deluxe Cement Mills P. Ltd., Meerut.	Cement
35.	B M Cement P Ltd., Meerut	Cement
36.	S D Cements P. Ltd., Meerut	Cement.
37.	Shree Cement Indus. Shikohabad.	Cement.
38.	M R Lamps, Meerut.	GLS Lamps.
39.	Gulab Cements P Ltd., Meerut.	Cement.
40.	R.C. Rubber Product, Calcutta.	Rubber, Canvas Boots, Miners
41.	Yonex (Electro) Pvt. Ltd., Calcutta.	Water Filter Candles.

#### Voluntary Organisations for Blinds

5972. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO :  
SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI :  
SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the approximate number of blind persons in each state;

(b) the details of the Central Schools for the blinds;

(c) the percentage of aid being given to the societies running schools for the mentally retarded/handicapped children;

(d) whether the Government have any scheme to fully compensate the societies running such schools;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) As per the latest Sample

Survey conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation in 1991, there are about 4.01 million persons in the country suffering from visual disability. This survey did not indicate state-wise distribution.

(b) There is no Central School for the blind.

(c) to (f) Upto 90% of the expenditure incurred by Non-Governmental Organisations working for the welfare of the disabled on approved items under the schemes of (i) Assistance to organisations for the Disabled, and (ii) Assistance to Organisations for Establishment of the Development of Special Schools for handicapped children is met out of Central Government grant-in-aid. Under the scheme of Assistance to Organisations for manpower development in the field of mental retardation and Cerebral Palsy, even 100% expenditure incurred by Non-Governmental Organisations is met out of the Central Government grant-in-aid.

[Translation]

#### Looting of Tourists

5973. SHRI HANSRAJ AHIR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the incident of looting a tourist bus of foreign tourists and injuring them of the Boddh Gaya Dobhi Road in Bihar by some armed dacoits;

(b) if so, the names of the countries to which these tourists belonged;

(c) the total luggage and cash looted from these tourists;

(d) the condition of the injured tourists in the incident; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to arrest the dacoits?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

#### Supply of Fertilizers

5974. SHRI P.R. DAS MUNSI :  
SHRI LAKSHMAN SINGH :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether short supply of fertilizers was responsible for shortfall in the food production target of 191 million tonnes in 1995-96;

(b) if so, the target set for 1996-97 and the extent to which it is less as compared to the previous year, State-wise;

(c) the target fixed for 1997-98, State-wise; and

(d) the total quantity of fertilizers likely to be imported to meet the shortage?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION AND MINISTER OF FOOD (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) At present urea is the only fertilizer which is under statutory price control. All other fertilizers stand decontrolled and their supply is determined by the market forces. The supply of urea and other major decontrolled fertilizers in the country during the year 1995-96 were adequate to meet the requirement as can be seen from the

following table:

	(lakh tonnes)		
	Assessed requirement	Supply	Consumption
Urea	189.09	210.26	179.09
Di-Ammonium Phosphate	-	53.77	34.51
Muriate of Potash	-	29.23	13.92

(b) The State-wise foodgrains targets and production during 1995-96 and 1996-97 are given in the enclosed Statement.

(c) The State-wise target of foodgrains production for 1997-98 has not yet been fixed.

(d) It is not possible to indicate the total level of imports of urea (major nitrogenous fertilizer) 1997-98 as it would depend on a variety of factors like trend of indigenous production, consumption, behaviour of prices in the international market, global demand and supply position. The imports of Phosphatic and potassic fertilizers stand decanalised and also depend on the above factors and the market forces.

#### Statement

*State-wise total foodgrains production target and achievement during 1995-96 and 1996-97*

(Lakh Tonnes)

Sl.No.	State	1995-96		1996-97	
		Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
1.	Andhra Pradesh	137.36	115.78	126.40	124.59
2.	Assam	35.5	35.61	34.80	36.74
3.	Bihar	134.65	130.69	133.67	133.70
4.	Gujarat	58.85	41.03	48.35	47.96
5.	Haryana	101.50	102.08	106.32	107.88
6.	Himachal Pradesh	14.56	13.73	14.13	15.38
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	15.04	13.67	14.43	17.04
8.	Karnataka	80.83	87.68	88.40	91.42
9.	Kerala	11.34	9.56	10.18	11.82
10.	Madhya Pradesh	181.10	177.77	193.25	182.81
11.	Maharashtra	138.10	116.68	137.14	142.38
12.	Orissa	84.19	78.34	73.45	49.88
13.	Punjab	204.63	200.18	214.25	208.71
14.	Rajasthan	102.28	95.66	109.70	122.15
15.	Tamil Nadu	86.08	91.64	90.21	73.29
16.	Uttar Pradesh	395.05	389.43	390.90	405.63
17.	West Bengal	117.67	129.94	128.25	128.85
18.	Others	21.27	21.01	21.17	21.01
All India		1920.00	1850.48	1935.00	1921.24