

Marketing of Rich in Packets by NAFED

5001. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether NAFED are marketing rice in packets without date of packing and maximum selling price on it; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir. NAFED is marketing rice in 5 Kgs. packet to the consumers. To save the consumers of the inconvenience during the lunch hours, packets are prepared in advance.

(b) NAFED has been advised to indicate the date of packing and maximum selling price on the packets.

[*Translation*]

Survey of Flood and Drought Affected Areas in U.P.

5002. SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a survey of drought and flood affected areas of Uttar Pradesh has been conducted through satellite during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). An Agricultural Drought Assessment and Monitoring System has been evolved as one of the major remote sensing applications projects. The drought assessment is based on the analysis of satellite

data on the extent of green vegetation cover as well as the vigour of this cover and presently being conducted for 240 districts in 10 States. Comparison of vegetation status and development trend in any biweekly period when compared with the trends of previous years helps in the assessment of drought conditions. The results of this assessment are published in biweekly drought bulletins for facilitating contingency action. Under this project, monitoring of drought in Uttar Pradesh was undertaken during 1989 and 1990 which also continues during 1991.

Survey of areas affected by floods in Ganga and its tributaries in parts of Uttar Pradesh was conducted in 1988 and 1990 seasons.

[*English*]

DMS and Mother Dairy Booths

5003. SHRI RAM BADAN:
SHRI SHIV SHARAN VERMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the existing number of booths of DMS and Mother Dairy in Delhi;

(b) whether the Government propose to open more booths in Delhi during 1991; and

(c) if so, the places where these booths are proposed to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) The existing No. of booths of DMS and Mother Dairy are as follows:-

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| (i) | D.M.S. | |
| | Morning | 829 |
| | Evening | 522 |
| | | 1351 |

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| (ii) Mother Dairy | |
| No. of Bulk Vending booths | 350 |
| No. of insulated containers | 241 |
| | 591 |

(Both Bulk Vending booths and insulated containers operate morning & evening)

(b) There are no proposals to open any DMS booths. The Mother Dairy proposes to set up more booths during 1991. Out of these, 17 are under construction. For the remaining 8 booths, Mother Dairy has applied to local authorities for allotment of land.

(c) The locations of 17 new booths of Mother Dairy are:-

1. Sarita Vihar (Pocket C)
2. Pushpa Vihar (Sector. III)
3. Panchsheel Park
4. Kalkaji Extension
5. Alkananda
6. Vasant Kunj (Sector B)
7. Shalimar Bagh (Pocket S)
8. Vikas Puri (Block A)
9. Vikas Puri (Block D)
10. Rajouri Garden (G-8)
11. Paschim Puri (GH-9)
12. Paschim Puri (GH-14)
13. Indira Enclave

14. Mayur Vihar (Phase. II)
15. Mayur Vihar Extn. (Phase. II)
16. Pandav Nagar
17. Lakshmi Nagar

[Translation]

Setting up of Post and Telegraph Offices in Gujarat

5004. SHRI CHANDUBHAI DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for setting up of post and telegraph offices in Bharuch, Baroda and Surat districts of Gujarat during 1990-91;

(b) whether the target has been achieved;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the number of post and telegraph offices proposed to be set up during 1991-92?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The target for opening of post Offices and Telegraph Offices in districts of Bharuch, Baroda and Surat are given in the attached statement-I.

(b) The target for opening of Post Offices has been achieved only in respect of Surat district. There has been a shortfall of 1 and 5 in the case of Bharuch and Baroda districts respectively. In respect of Telegraph Offices, the target could not be achieved in any of the district. However, in the case of Bharuch district the shortfall has been to the extent of 5 in this respect.