health etc., and also inplemenation of direct employment generation porogrammes to increase the income of the poor.

### Import of Edible Oils

932. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of edible oils imported during the last three years:
- (b) the total foreign exchange paid for the import of these oils:

(c) whether Government are formulating any scheme for becoming self reliant in the matter of edible oils: and

(d) if so, the details of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUD-DIN AHMED): (a) and (b). The quantity of edible oils imported during the last three financial years with CIF value thereof is as under:

Year	Qty.of Import (Lakh MTs)	CIF Value (Rs. in crore)
1988-89	10.89	765.16
1989-90	2.96	203.60
1990-91	5.38	349.95

(c) and (d). The Government of India is taking steps for becoming self reliant in the production of edible oils. The Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP) of the Government of India is being implemented in 18 States. The cost is shared on 75:25 basis between the Centre and the States, Under OPP, subsidy is being given for inputs like seeds, plant protection chemicals and equipment, improved farm implements, sprinkler sets, rhyzobium culture packets, gypsum and pyrites.

# [English]

#### Setting up of Housing Board

933. SHRI TARA CHAND KHANDEL-WAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVEL-OPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to set up a separate housing board to meet the housing needs of the capital; and

(b) if so, the time by which the housing board will be set up and start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b). The Government had taken a decision to restructure DDA involving inter-alia the setting up of a separate Housing Board. However, since the proposal requires a careful consideration and a number of administrative and legislative steps are required to be taken in pursuance of the decision it may not be possible to give any definite time frama by which the new Housing board will be created.

# [Translation]

# Setting up of Industry in Rural Areas in Utter Predesh

934. SHRI RAJENDRA KUMAR SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: