

despatched in July and 1000 tons in August. The balance quantity will be supplied as and when required by the State Government.

The quantity of wheat supplied to the roller flour mills in Punjab during the last three months and the quantity milled by them are indicated below:

Month	Purchased Tons	Milled Tons
June	23,861	25,629
July	14,264	18,861
August	13,554	13,633

Forest Research Institute

1078. { Shri Jashvant Mehta:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:
Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to promote necessary legislation to convert the Indian Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun into a University; and

(b) if so, the reasons that led to this decision

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) No decision has yet been made; but the question of giving certain functions of a University to the Indian Forest Research Institute is under consideration

(b) Does not arise.

Purchase of Tractors by Madhya Pradesh

1079. Shri R. S. Pandey: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether Madhya Pradesh Government have requested the Centre for the release of foreign exchange to enable them to import some crawler tractors;

(b) what is the specific demand under consideration; and

(c) whether a decision has been taken in this regard?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) to (c). The

following demands for crawler tractors have been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh:

Name of Scheme	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
(i) Machine Tractor Station Scheme	60.00
(ii) Ravine Reclamation Scheme	15.00
(iii) Minor Irrigation Schemes	44.00

Foreign exchange of Rs. 9 lakhs has already been released for the Machine Tractor Station Scheme and Rs. 4 lakhs for the Minor Irrigation Schemes. Some further amount is likely to be released shortly to the State Government.

Rebate on Khadi Products

1080 Shri E. Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Social Security be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that special rebate on Khadi products is proposed to be given during Gandhi Jayanti Celebrations this year; and

(b) whether a similar rebate will also be allowed on the sale of woollen goods?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Law (Shri Jaganatha Rao): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Although the Khadi & Village Industries Commission had suggested that a similar rebate might be allowed on retail sales of woollen and silk Khadi, Government have decided to restrict the concession to the retail sales of cotton Khadi only.

Development of Fisheries

1081. Shrimati Ramdulari Sinha: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the potentialities of inland fisheries and their annual production in the States of Bihar, West Bengal, Orissa, Andhra Pradesh and Mysore;

(b) the advice and assistance given to Bihar to develop fisheries to the extent of its potentialities;

(c) how far the State of Bihar has utilised the plan provision in this respect so far;