

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri D. E. Chavan): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Import of Foodgrains

1423. Shri E. Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the total quantity of wheat, rice and maize imported from Australia, Burma and U.S.A., during the year upto November, 1964 and its value in rupees?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri D. E. Chavan): The requisite information is as under:—

Quantity in '000 Metric Tons.

	Wheat	Rice	Maize
Australia	255.5	Nil	Nil
Burma	Nil	151.9	Nil
U.S.A.	4690.2	293.8	Nil
Total	4945.7	445.7	Nil

The approximate total C&F Value of the above foodgrains is Rs. 227.08 crores.

Subsidiary Food

1424. Shri E. Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to propagate for the use of fish, meat and vegetables in more quantity than usual and thus save the consumption of wheat and rice;

(b) if so, the steps taken in this regard; and

(c) the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri D. E. Chavan): (a) to (c). The Gov-

ernment have plans to popularise subsidiary foods including fish, meat and vegetables so as to reduce excessive consumption of cereals and at the same time improve nutrition by achieving a more balanced diet. The Government propose to organize the campaign through Mobile Food and Nutrition Extension vans, the Institutes of Catering Technology & Applied Nutrition and the normal channels of publicity such as publication of leaflets and pamphlets, films, participation in exhibitions, the media of newspapers and magazines, etc.

12.12 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE.

REPORTED FIRING BY POLICE ON REFUGEES IN COIMBATORE CAMP

Shri S. M. Banerjee (Kanpur): I call the attention of the Minister of Rehabilitation to the following matter of urgent public importance, and I request that he may make a statement thereon:

"The reported firing by police on the refugees in a camp at Coimbatore resulting in the death of a person and injuries to many."

The Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri Tyagi): I was grieved to learn about the unfortunate incident in the Camp for migrants which has been set up in Coimbatore under the administration of the Madras Government. Full details of the circumstances in which the firing took place have not yet been made available to us. As soon as the news item was noticed in the Newspapers on the morning of the 14th December, the Home Department of the Madras Government and the Collector, Coimbatore were contacted on the telephone. Both the Collector and the Deputy Inspector General of Police have been to the scene of the incident.

From preliminary information received by us from the Collector, it