The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri D. R. Chavan): (a) Informal talks were held with the Australian authorities for the supply of wheat under some special arrangements for building up buffer stocks.

(b) It is not possible at this stage to indicate the reaction of the Australian Government as the matter is still under their consideration.

Forcelanding of Bihar Flying Club Plane

2684. Shri Tula Ram: Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:

Will the Minister of Civil Aviation be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a Tiger Moth belonging to the Patna Flying Club forcelanded on the sands of the Ganga opposite the Sadaquat Ashram, Patna on the 11th April, 1965 and some occupants were injured;
- (b) if so, the causes of the accident; and
- (c) the total loss incurred on this account?

The Minister of Civil Aviation (Shri Kanungo): (a) A Tiger Moth aircraft owned by the Government of India and operated by the Bihar Flying Club, Patna made a forced landing on the north bank of the Ganges, approximately 8 miles north of Patna aerodrome, on the 11th April, 1965. The aircraft crashed during a training flight and both the occupants of the aircraft, an Instructor and a student pilot, received minor injuries.

- (b) The accident is under investigation.
- (c) The aircraft was extensively damaged and may be a total loss.

Bakeries as gift from Australia

2685. J Shri Tula Ram: Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government of Australia are making a gift of six automatic bakeries to India under the Colombo Plan;
- (b) if so, when and the total cost of such automatic bakeries; and
- (c) the places in India where such bakeries will be established?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri D. R. Chavan): (a) Yes.

- (b) The six automatic bakeries are valued at 250,000 Australian pounds and are expected to be supplied soon.
- (c) The six bakeries are proposed to be located at Calcutta, Madras, Bombay, Delhi, Ahmedabad and Ernakulam.

Cow-Dung used as Fuel

Shri R. Barua:
Shri Koya:
Shri Kameshwar Tantia:
Shri Y. P. Mandal:
Shri Narendra Singh
Mahida:
Shri Buta Singh:

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

- (a) whether any estimate has been made of cow-dung going as fuel in the rural sector; and
- (b) if so, the steps taken to supply alternative cheap fuel so that cowdung may be diverted to be used as manure?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes. According to a study made by the National