Rs. 4.90 lakhs, while that on the second call was about Rs. 4.65 lakhs.

- (e) On the 15th September, 1965.
- (f) The work is expected to take about two years to be completed after its commencement, and this is normal for such constructions. Every effort will, however, be made to commence and to complete the construction of this bridge soon.

## Long term loan for M.P.

441. Shri Manibhai J. Patel: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the amount of long-term agricultural loans through cooperative land mortgage and development banks earmarked for the farmers of Madhya Pradesh for the current year?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy): The estimated programme is Rs. 3 crores.

## Procurement of Foodgrains

4442. Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) the target in quantities of foodgrains to be procured in each State during this year; and
- (b) the storage facilities arranged in each State?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) No precise targets have been fixed for procurement of foodgrains during this year.

(b) Sufficient storage facilities have been arranged in each State.

## Exploratory Tube-wells in U.P.

4443. Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

 (a) the number of exploratory tubewells sunk in Uttar Pradesh till the 31st January, 1967;

- (b) whether there is any proposal to sink more such tube-wells in that State during 1967-68; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) The Exploratory Tube-wells Organisation under the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation has drilled 46 exploratory bores in Uttar Pradesh till 31st January, 1967, in the course of groundwater exploration in that State. Of these only 37 bores yielded adequate supply of water and 9 were abandoned.

- (b) Yes.
- (c) 9 exploratory bores are proposed to be drilled during 1967-68 by the Exploratory Tubewells Organisation in the following districts:—
  - Azamgarh—4.
  - (2) Ghazipur-2.
  - (3) Dehradun—2.
  - (4) Bijnor-1.

TOTAL -9.

## Development of Horticulture in U.P.

4444. Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pscased to state:

- (a) whe her the amount granted to Uttar Pradesh for the development of Horticulture during 1966-67 has been fully utilised; and
- (b) the amount proposed to be given to that State for the purpose during 1967-68?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) and (b). The Central financial assistance is not sanctioned or released for individual schemes but only for broad heads of development. As such it is not possible to give the figures of central assist-