

(c) the higher price which the West Bengal Government had offered for their additional quantity of rice;

(d) whether Government are also aware that the Bihar Government have decided to make direct purchases of 28,000 tonnes of paddy seeds from Orissa; and

(e) whether the Orissa Government have asked for the supply of equal quantity of wheat to Orissa as against this additional quantities of rice and paddy supplied to West Bengal and Bihar?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) As far as Government of India are aware, no such direct agreement has been entered into.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

(d) Bihar Government have been authorized by the Central Government to purchase 20,000 tonnes of seed paddy from Orissa.

(e) No, Sir.

National Cooperative College and Research Institute, Poona

3041, Shri Ram Kishan Gupta: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a considerable decline in the number of persons who received training in the National Cooperative College and Research Institute, Poona during the year 1966-67; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy): (a) There was a slight decrease in the total number of persons who received training in the National Cooperative College and Research Institute, Poona, during the year 1966-67 compared to the previous year. While there was

reduction in attendance in the senior officers' course, the number of participants in the seminar type of courses conducted by the Institute exceeded that of the previous year.

(b) The cooperative institutions deputed lesser number of persons for Senior Officers Course in 1966-67 than in the previous year.

बिहार में चीनी मिल

3042. श्री रामादत्तार शास्त्री :

श्री क० प्रि० मधुकर :

क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बिहार में कुल कितने चीनी मिल हैं तथा उनमें से इस समय कितने मिल चल रहे हैं;

(ख) 1966-67 में इन चीनी मिलों में कितनी चीनी का उत्पादन किया गया तथा इन चीनी मिलों द्वारा उत्पादित चीनी किस किस राज्य को भेजी गयी; और

(ग) क्या बिहार में उत्पादित चीनी का निर्यात भी किया गया वा और यदि हां, तो कितनी मात्रा में तथा सरकार को उस से कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा की प्राय हुई थी?

खाद्य, कृषि, सांसाध्यिक विकास तथा सहकार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अन्ना साहिव शिन्दे) : (क) बिहार में 29 चीनी मिलें हैं। इन सभी मिलों ने 1966-67 के चालू वर्ष में गन्ना पेरने के मौसम में गन्ना पेटा है।

(ख) इन मिलों ने 2,11,061 टन चीनी का उत्पादन किया है। यह मात्रा बिहार, पश्चिमी बंगाल, उत्तर और