

पाकिस्तान से शरणार्थी

1202. श्री श्री० प्र० स्वामी : क्या अब तथा पुनर्वास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पाकिस्तान से कितने शरणार्थी आये हैं और कितने शरणार्थियों को सरकार अब तक नहीं बसा सकी;

(ख) इन्हें अब तक न बसा सकने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) बे-घर शरणार्थियों को भोजन आदि देने पर सरकार कितना मासिक खर्च कर रही है ?

अब तथा पुनर्वास मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री :

(श्री डी० आर० चहलान) : (क) पश्चिमी बंगाल के पुराने प्रव्रजकों से सम्बन्धित कुछ अवशिष्ट समस्याओं के अतिरिक्त पश्चिमी पाकिस्तान से आये प्रव्रजकों तथा पूर्वी पाकिस्तान से आये पुराने (वे प्रव्रजक जो 31-3-63 तक आए हैं) के पुनर्वास का कार्य व्यवहारिक रूप से पूरा हो चुका है। 1-1-1964 के बाद पूर्वी पाकिस्तान से आये प्रव्रजकों में से शिविरो में रह रहे 1,02,442 व्यक्तियों को बसाया जाना शेष है। अगस्त-सितम्बर, 1965 में हुए भारत-पाकिस्तान संघर्ष के फलस्वरूप पश्चिमी पाकिस्तान से भी सीमित प्रव्रजन हुआ है। इस प्रव्रजन में 4,500 व्यक्ति (1292 परिवार) आये हैं। उन्हें बसाने के लिये उपयुक्त सहायता दी जा रही है।

(ख) पुनर्वास के लिये समय की प्रक्रिया आवश्यक है। भूमि केवल उतनी ही खेती योग्य बनाई जा सकती है जितनी कि हमारी भूमि उद्धार संस्था के पास उपलब्ध सक्षीनरी की क्षमता है। राज्य भी भूमि देने में समय लेते हैं। औद्योगिक तथा अन्य योजनाओं को तैयार करने तथा क्रियान्वित करने में समय लगता है।

(ग) शिविरो में रह रहे प्रव्रजकों को भोज आदि नहीं दिया जाता किन्तु उन्हें

निर्धारित मात्रा में नकद अनुदान और सस्ते दामों पर खाद्य सामग्री दी जाती है। प्रव्रजकों को शिविरो में दी जाने वाली नकद सहायता तथा अन्य सहायता का व्यौरा विवरण में दिया गया है जो सदन की मेज पर रखा गया है। [पुस्तकालय में रखा गया। देखिए संख्या। LT/ 1651/67]।

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS ON FOREIGN PERSONALITIES

1205. SHRI M. L. SONDHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to bring out a special stamp in the first quarter of the next year to honour Maxim Gorky, a Russian writer;

(b) if so, whether Government also propose to honour distinguished personalities in other countries as well, e.g. Masaryk, Capek, Romain Rolland, Martin Buber etc.; and

(c) whether there are any guide-lines for the Philatelic Advisory Committee of the Posts and Telegraphs Department to recommend issuing of stamps on special occasions pertaining to the leading personalities of foreign lands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Yes.

(b) Such proposals when received are considered by the Philatelic Advisory Committee. The Govt. encourages the idea of honouring intellectual leaders irrespective of their nationality.

(c) The Committee takes into consideration all factors related to each individual proposal before making recommendations.

RICE QUOTA IN JAMMU & KASHMIR

1207. SHRI MAYAVAN: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that throughout the country the rice quota per head was reduced, but it was not done in the case of Jammu and Kashmir State; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) It is not correct to say that the rice quantum was reduced in all states except Jammu & Kashmir.

(b) The decision to cut the rice quantum or not was taken by the State Government concerned taking into account the likely availabilities both from internal procurement and from Government of India.

RICE SUPPLY TO JAMMU & KASHMIR

1208. SHRI MAYAVAN: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in Jammu and Kashmir State, there are prospects of a bumper crop this year; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that there will be no need to supply any rice to that State from the Union Government this year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) Though no estimate of the production of foodgrains for the current year has yet been received from the Jammu & Kashmir Government, according to present reports, the current kharif crop in the State this year is going to be good.

(b) The Government of Jammu & Kashmir have estimated that they would require 46,000 tonnes rice from the Central Pool during the crop season 1967-68 (16th October, 1967 to 15th October, 1968).

COMMISSION TO ASSESS AGRICULTURE POTENTIAL

1209. SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up an Agricultural Commission to assess agriculture potential and allied matters of our country on the same pattern as Linlithgow Commission of the British days; and

(b) if so, when it will be set up and, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) No Sir.

(b) Government's view has been that such a Commission is at present not necessary as it would distract attention from the implementation of the agricultural production programme.

REQUIREMENT OF TRACTORS

1210. SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment has been made about the number of tractors needed to push up agricultural production and thereby meeting the food shortage in our country; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. It has been assessed that 1,50,000 tractors will be required during the period 1967-68 to 1970-71. The estimated requirement during the current year is 25,000.

SALE OF TRACTORS

1211. SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of applicants for the purchase of tractors on rolls of different tractor selling agencies in the country;

(b) the percentage who got them within three months, six months, a year and two years respectively; and

(c) the steps Government are taking to meet their demands in the shortest possible time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI