

(c) Separate counters have been opened for speedy delivery of the cheques to the depositors as and when they call for them. No interest is payable on earnest money.

Display of Political Hoardings by N.D.M.C.

2306. SHRI BAKSHI NAYAK : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of Central Government has been invited to a report appearing in the "Hindustan Times" dated the 23rd February, 1972 under the caption "The stability Rhyme" regarding N. D. M. C. ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (PROF. D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA) : (a) and (b). In the press report referred to in the question an allegation has been made against the New Delhi Municipal Committee that a hoarding of the Prime Minister which has been allowed by it to be displayed in Connaught Place has been misused for political purposes. The N.D.M.C. has stated that the hoarding was put up in December, 1971 during the days of the Country's struggle against the Pakistan aggression with a suitable message from the Prime Minister. It has been continued to be displayed at the site with messages changed from time to time. These messages pertain to national themes and have nothing to do with any political party. In view of the facts stated by the New Delhi Municipal Committee the Government is of the view that no action is called for in the matter.

Functioning of National Seeds Corporation

2307. SHRI BAKSHI NAYAK :
SHRI BISHWANATH JHUN-
JHUNWALA :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to a report in the "Hindustan

Times" of the 24th February, 1972 regarding the inefficient functioning of the National Seeds Corporation ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government do not agree with the views expressed in this report. The National Seeds Corporation is making a valuable contribution to the development of modern seeds industry in the country.

भूमि सुधार के बारे में राज्यों में परिचालित विधेयक का मसौदा

2308. डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडये : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या भूमि सुधार के बारे में केन्द्र सरकार ने राज्यों में किसी विधेयक का मसौदा परिचालित किया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसकी मुख्य बातें क्या हैं ?

कृषि मन्त्रालय में राज्य मन्त्री (श्री अण्णासाहेब पी० शिन्डे) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं होता ।

मलेरिया उन्मूलन

2309. डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडये : क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार नियोजन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मलेरिया का किन राज्यों में अभी तक पूर्णतः उन्मूलन नहीं हुआ है ;

(ख) क्या मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने राष्ट्रीय मलेरिया उन्मूलन कार्यक्रम के अन्तर्गत राज्य को मलेरिया से मुक्त घोषित किया था ; और