

- (x) Withdrawal of export duty on export of poultry products.

Accommodation to government employees

5702. SHRI RADHAKANTA DIGAL:
Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether accommodation is allotted on out of turn basis to Government employees; and

(b) if so, the number of Quarters in each category allotted to the Government employees in Delhi on out of turn basis during 1986-87 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Category	No.
Type 'A'	100
Type 'B'	850
Type 'C'	77
Type 'D'	89
Type 'E'	114
Type 'Special'	44
Hostel	72
Total	1346

Import of Fertilizers and Pesticides

5703. SHRI C. MADHAV REDDI :
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether our country is the largest importer of fertilizers and pesticides in the world;

(b), if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether use of organic manures and bio-fertilizers can substantially reduce imports of fertilizers;

(d) if so, the action taken to popularise the use of organic manures and bio-fertilizers amongst the farmers;

(e) whether Integrated Pest Management can also reduce the use of pesticides;

(f) if so, the action taken in this regard; and

(g) the new improved varieties of different crops developed in the country, which are resistant to pests ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b). In so far as fertilizers are concerned, India is the second largest importer in the world. As regards pesticides, only 5 per cent to 6 per cent of total consumption is met through imports.

(c) No, Sir, use of organic manures and bio fertilizers cannot substantially reduce imports of fertilizers. They only supplement the use of chemical fertilisers.

(d) Government has sanctioned a National Project on Development and use of Bio-fertilizers and States are also advised to promote the use of organic manures.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) Following action has been taken in this regard :

(i) Government of India is implementing a Central Sector Scheme on 'Pest and Diseases Surveillance to monitor the pest buildup and to forewarn the farmers with a view to advising them to take timely control measures including need based applications of pesticides only when the pests develop beyond economic thresh-old level.

(ii) Measures have been taken to popularise and to propagate Integrated Pest management approach among farmers and demonstrations on farmers' fields (paddy) are conducted in various States/UTs at different locations.