

Recommendations of Gujarat Agricultural Price Commission for Fixation of support Price of Rabi Crops

4060. SHRI RANJITSINGH GAEKWAD : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state

(a) whether Gujarat Agricultural Price Commission has recommended to Centre for fixation of support prices of rabi crops viz. wheat, gram, mustard, jira etc. for the year 1986-87 marketing season by adding 20 per cent over the total production cost per quintal;

(b) whether Centre has received such a recommendation from the State Government/ Gujarat Agricultural Price Commission :

(c) if so, Government's reaction thereon; and

(b) if not, whether Centre intend to fix the support prices of these commodities for 1986-87 marketing season?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) & (b) The Government of Gujarat had suggested to the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices the minimum support prices for wheat, gram, rapeseed and mustard and cuminseed for 1985-86 crops. The prices suggested are higher by more than 20 per cent than the estimated cost of production of these crops given by the State Government except in the case of unirrigated wheat for which the cost of production is more than the price asked for.

(c) and (d) The price policy for wheat, gram and rapeseed and mustard for 1985-86 crops to be marketed in 1986-87 season is under consideration of the Government. For cuminseed, there is, at present, no proposal to fix minimum support price.

Industrial Training Institutes

4061. SHRI RAM PYARE PANIKA : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) number of Industrial Training Institutes functioning in the country now;

(a) the number of persons being trained there annually in different industrial fields ; and

(c) whether any follow-up action is being taken to provide employment for them in different trades after they complete their training?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH) : (a) 1447 as on 31-07-1984.

(b) 2.64 lakhs.

(c) Passed out trainees are advised to register their names in the Employment Exchange for securing Employment. Some of the ITI's also contact industries in their area for providing employment to the trainees.

Dairy Cooperatives

4062. SHRI SRI HARI RAO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether as many as 35,000 Dairy Cooperatives have been set up in the country ;

(b) if so, details of such cooperatives, State-wise and extent of increase in milk production; and

(c) the reasons for increase in price of milk inspite of hike in milk production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) & (b) 46081 (Provisional) Milk Producers' Cooperative Societies have been organised till September, 1985 in the areas covered under Operation Flood in the country out of which 39,488 are on Anand pattern. State-wise details are given in the Statement below. No separate study has been made for estimating the extent of increase in milk production in these societies. The milk production in the country is, however, estimated to have increased from 21.6 million tonnes in 1969-70 to 38.74 million tonnes in 1984-85 due to the impact of various central centrally sponsored and the State Plan schemes which also include Operation Flood Programmes.

(c) There has been increase in the prices of all commodities over the years and this increase has also resulted into (i) increased cost of milk production at the farm level, (ii) increase in over-heads in rural milk transportation, (iii) increase in operating expenses at chilling/processing plants and (iv) increase in the marketing and distribu-

tion overheads. Since milk producer is also a consumer for other commodities, increase in price of other commodities forces the milk producer to spend more and this logically forces the farmer to demand a higher price for agricultural commodities including milk.

Statement

State	Village Dairy Cooperatives Organised	
	Anand Pattern	Others
1	2	3
Andhra Pradesh	2879	8
Assam	125	—
Bihar	830	—
Gujarat	8092	482
Haryana	2626	79
Himachal Pradesh	96	31
Jammu and Kashmir	103	13
Karnataka	2535	25
Kerala	484	452
Madhya Pradesh	2012	—
Maharashtra	3096	4580
Orissa	302	2
Punjab	3989	—
Rajasthan	3529	144
Sikkim	112	—
Tamil Nadu	4522	447
Tripura	65	35
Uttar Pradesh	2902	295
West Bengal	1043	—
Goa, Daman and Diu	58	6
Andaman and Nicobar	20	—
Pondicherry	58	4