

<i>Year</i>	<i>Amount of Food Subsidy (Rs. in crores)</i>
1986-87	2000
1987-88	2000
1988-89	2200

(c) and (d). Delhi Administration has stated that no specific study on the subject has been undertaken. Some of the measures taken by the Administration to check possible diversion of foodgrains from PDS include supply of PDS foodgrains at the door step of the fair price shops, periodical inspection by the enforcement branch etc

(e) Some of the steps adopted by States/UTs to check diversion of foodgrains and other irregularities are frequent inspection of fair price shops, taking appropriate action against erring fair price shop holders under the terms of the licence, strict enforcement of the provisions of Essential Commodities Act, setting up of Consumer Advisory/Vigilance Committees at various levels etc.

To extend the benefit of PDS to rural people, States/UTs have been advised to issue ration cards to all the families in rural areas, introduce mobile fair price shops to cover people residing in far-flung, remote, tribal, hilly and desert areas, open sale centres for PDS items at haats in rural and tribal areas etc.

[*Translation*]

**E.P.F. Outstanding against NTC Mills,  
Madhya Pradesh**

2473. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of Employees Provident Fund outstanding against nationalised textile mills in Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) the action taken to recover the outstanding E.P.F. amount from the management of the mills?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN):

(a) According to available information, there is no amount of Employees Provident Fund dues outstanding against the nationalised mills in Madhya Pradesh.

(b) Does not arise.

[*English*]

**Proposal to Augment Facilities at Dr.  
R.P. Centre**

2474. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHOSALE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to augment existing facilities at Dr. Rajendra Prasad Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences, New Delhi to make it one of the best centres of the world;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to make other Ophthalmic Centres of the country at par with Dr. Rajendra Prasad Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences in the Eighth Plan period to reduce over-crowding at Dr. R.P. Centre;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTHAY): (a) and (b). Dr. Rajendra Prasad