

[English]

**Increase in Levy Price of Wheat, Rice and Bajra (millet)**

3077. SHRI S. M. GURADDI : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently enhanced the levy prices of certain commodities ;

(b) if so, the position of increase of levy prices of wheat, rice, bajra since 1982 to 1985 (latest), year-wise ; and

(c) whether these have been adopted by all the public procurement agencies in all the States and Union Territories ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) and (b). The procurement/Support price of wheat, paddy and bajra from 1982-83 to 1985-86 marketing seasons are as under :

	(Rs./per quintal)				
	Wheat	Paddy		Bajra	
		Com- mon	Fine	S.Fine	
1982-83	142/-	122/-	126/-	130/-	118/-
1983-84	151/-	132/-	136/-	140/-	124/-
1984-85	152/-	137/-	141/-	145/-	130/-
1985-86	157/-	Not announced.		Not announced.	

(c) Yes, Sir.

**Agricultural Development Programme for Orissa**

3078. SHRI JAGANNATH PATTNAIK : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the Centrally Sponsored Agricultural Development Programmes proposed to be implemented during the Seventh Five Year Plan ; and

(b) the programme proposed to be implemented in Orissa during the Seventh Plan period ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BUTA SINGH) : (a) During the Seventh Five Year Plan (1985-90), it is proposed to implement a number of Centrally Sponsored Agricultural Programmes primarily for building up institutional frame-work in the nature of pace setters involving production, demonstration, input supply, etc. The proposals will be given final shape after the Seventh Plan is cleared by the National Development Council.

(b) The proposals for implementation in the State of Orissa under the Centrally Sponsored Sector during the Seventh Five Year Plan are likely to cover the major activities in the field of agriculture and allied sectors viz. crop production, seed production and distribution, measures for plant protection, horticulture, fisheries, animal husbandry, dairy, extension services, etc.

**Transportation delays in supply of Rice to Mizoram**

3079. SHRI LAL DUHOMA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether large quantity of rice allotted for Mizoram used to remain undespached for a long time from the B. G. Points of Gauhati and New Bongaigaon causing starvation to the people of Mizoram ;

(b) whether the carrying contractors are very often asked to collect rice from places other than Gauhati where Mizoram Government do not have carrying contracts causing great inconvenience ;

(c) dates of railway wagons booked for transportation of rice / wheat from New Bongaigaon and Gauhati and dates of the arrival of those wagons at the destination at Silchar between December 1984 and February 1985 ; and

(d) measures taken/proposed to be taken for better coordination in the transportation of rice/wheat/sugar through Railways and Roadways to enable timely and regular delivery at the destination i.e. Silchar ?