- (ii) to forward duplicate registration of mobile registrants to other Exchanges having better employment potential;
- (iii) to provide adequate representation to minority communities on the Committees on Employment at the District level and to convene the meetings of these Committees at regular intervals;
- (iv) to create a suitable monitoring system at the State level to ensure proper implementation of the various steps suggested.
- (d) Yes, Sir.
- (e) The Ministry of Finance has been apprised of the steps already suggested to the State Governments/Union Territories as referred to in reply to part (c) of the Question.

## Manufacture of Thiram by M/S. S.M.P. (Pvt.) Ltd., Bombay

3670. SHRI MANIK REDDY :
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether M/s. S.M.P. Private Limited, Bombay have been manufacturing Thiram 75 per cent W.P./Seed Dresser without holding valid industrial licence to manufacture the said insecticides;
- (b) whether the company has not been obtaining Thiram technical from any source;
- (c) how Government are allowing manufacture of Thiram 75 per cent W.P. or Seed Dresser from rubber chemical grade of Thiram having impurities highly toxic to human beings; and
- (d) whether Government have taken any action against the company and if not, the recoons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA: (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course of time.

## **Production Target of Foodgrains**

- 3671, SHRI P. KOLANDAIVELU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Union Government have set the target for the total food production during the Seventh Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, what would be overall increase over the Sixth Plan; and
- (c) whether Government have a plan to export the surplus rice to foreign countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA); (a) Yes Sir. A target of 178-183 million tonnes has been fixed for foodgrain production during Seventh Five Year Plan period.

- (b) The above Seventh Plan target represents an increase of 24.4-29.4 million tonnes over the Sixth Plan target of 153.6 million tonnes.
- (c) Export of basmati rice is permitted under Open General Licence subject to a minimum export price. Export of non-basmati rice is also allowed within a limited ceiling and subject to a minimum export price.

## Changes in retention price-cum Subsidy Scheme for Fertilizers

- 3672. DR. G.S. RAJHANS; Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to bring changes in the existing retention price-cum-subsidy scheme for fertilizer industry shortly;