

(b) The Ministry does not directly undertake the construction of hotels. The Ministry has, however, approved the hotel projects, to be constructed by private entrepreneurs, at Earoda, Bhavnagar, Gandhidham, Gandhi Nagar, Halol, Saputara and Surat in Gujarat. The Ministry has also sanctioned a Yatri Niwas at Dakor in Gujarat at an estimated cost of Rs. 41.22 lakhs out of which Rs. 25.00 lakhs have already been released.

Purchase of Dumpers by NMDC

6579. SHRI MOHD. MAHFOOZ ALI KHAN :
SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI |

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) the number of dumpers purchased by the NMDC Limited from the Bharat Earth Movers Limited, how many of these are actually operating in the NMDC mines and at other sites and the reasons for non-utilisation of the remaining dumpers; and

(b) the value of dumper spare parts held by the NMDC and the manner in which these are proposed to be utilised ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) The position as on 31.1.1988 was as follows:—

Number of dumpers purchased : 70
by NMDC from BEML.

Number in operation : 57

The dumpers not in actual operation are under repairs or major overhaul.

(b) Value of dumper spares parts inventory is approximately Rs. 2.63 crores. These spares are utilised for repairs and maintenance of the dumper fleet.

[Translation]

Allocation of Foodgrains to Gujarat

6580. SHRI NARSINH MAKWANA :
Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) the allocation of foodgrains made against the demand to Gujarat during the last six months; and

(b) whether the quota of foodgrains has been reduced for that State, if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D.L. BAITHA) : (a) A statement giving the information is given below.

(b) No reduction has been made in the allocation of rice. As regards wheat, additional allocations of 15,000 tonnes and 25,000 tonnes had been made in January and March, 1988 respectively. For April, 1988, the allocation was brought down to the normal level of 60,000 tonnes, as the new crop moves into the market at this time.

Statement

Demand and Allotment of Foodgrains (Rice and Wheat) from Central Food for Gujarat for Public Distribution System during the last six Months (From November 1987 to April 1988)

(Quantity in '000 tonnes)

Month	Demand		Allotment	
	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat
1	2	3	4	5
November, 1987	35.0	90.0	35.0	60.0