

quirements necessitating such on import and whether some part of this steel will be made available to West Bengal's Engineering Industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation (MMTC) is authorised as the Canalising Agency to import steel to meet the indigenous requirements.

(b) The Import Plan for 1988-89 envisages import of 1.9 million tonnes of steel of which 1.6 million tonnes consist of canalised items. However, the actual import will depend on the gap between demand and availability. The items normally imported are mainly flat products like plates, HR coils/sheets, CR coils/sheets, tinplates, Tin Mill Black Plate, Electrical Steel Sheets and bars and rods, structurals and alloy/stainless steel. The source of imports depend on the competitiveness of the offers. Rs. 513 crores in foreign exchange have been provided to MMTC for 1988+89 for canalised items of iron and steel imports.

(c) Imports are paid for in foreign exchange/rupee payments. However, MMTC also arranges for counter trade against these imports to the maximum extent possible.

(d) Imports are necessary to supplement indigenous availability of iron and steel materials. These would be made available to actual users, including those from West Bengal who register their demands with the MMTC.

Import of Pulses

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of kind quantity and value of pulses imported during 1987-88 and proposed to be imported during current year; and

(b) the names of supplier countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b). Import of pulses is under Open General Licence. However all contracts for import of pulses have to be registered with NAFED. Statements I and II for the year 1987-88 and 1988-89 (upto 30 June 1988) in respect of imports of pulses are given below.

STATEMENT—I*Contracts registered with Nafed during 1st quarter of the financial year 1988-89 for imports of Pulses under OGL*

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Commodity</i>	<i>Qty. (MTS)</i>	<i>Tentative Value Rs. (Lacs)</i>	<i>Country of supply</i>
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Green Moong Beans	28352.50	1815.27	China, Thailand, Tanzania, Vietnam
2.	Urad	18241.00	871.46	Thailand, Burma, Srilanka
3.	Peas	62577.00	2786.63	China, USA, New Zealand Australia
4.	Pigeon Peas	6337.00	403.66	Burma, Malawi, Kenya, Tanzania, Australia, Thailand
5.	Chick Peas	72173.24	3166.65	Turkey
6.	Tyson Chick Peas (Gram)	10547.00	490.17	Tanzania, Australia, Burma, Thailand
7.	Lentils (Red)	29600.00	1269.84	Turkey
8.	Green Lentils	48700.00	1899.30	Turkey, China,
9.	Red Kidney Beans	2740.00	178.10	Thailand, China, Tanzania, Burma, Hongkong
10.	White Kidney Beans	327.40	19.20	China, Singapore, Burma Newzealand

1	2	3	4	5
11.	Yellow Split Peas	6250.00	243.75	Australia, Canada, Hungary
12.	Black Eye Beans	3558.50	255.50	Burma, Thailand, Singapore

STATEMENT II

Contracts registered with Nafed during 1987-88 for imports of Pulses under OGL

Sl. No.	Commodity	Qty. (MTS)	Tentative Value Rs. (Lacs)	Country of supply
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Moong	175952	9850	Tanzania, China, Thailand, Vietnam, Srilanka Australia, Malawi.
2.	Urad	109392	4450	Thailand, Burma, Srilanka
3.	Arhar/pegon peas	37148	2415	Tanzania, Kenya, Malaw, Burma, Austrilia, Thailand
4.	Chick Peas	237815	9365.5	Turkey, Dubai, Iran, Singapore
5.	Tyson Chick Peas	56720	2000.5	Australia, Tanzania, Burma, Thailand
6.	Red/Green Lentils	67259	2500	Turkey, China

1	2	3	4	5
7.	Red Kidney Beans	15344	918	China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Tanzania
8.	Black Kidney Beans	11980	779	China, Australia, Thailand, USA, Singapore, Burma.
9.	Yellow Split Peas	37653	1170	Australia, Canada, Hungary
10.	Dry Green Peas	45929	140	USA, Canada, Hungary, New Zealand
11.	White Peas	02833	1280	China, New Zealand
12.	Dun Peas	99390	2800	Australia, Hongkong
13.	Prusian Blue Peas	13736	518	New Zealand
14.	Rondo Peas	2920	102	Canada, New Zealand
15.	Century Peas	1400	50	Canada
16.	Cow Peas	949	40	Tanzania, China.