in the process of being allotted to those whose lands have been acquired.

Registration under HUDCO Scheme 1979 and Allotment of Flats

- 72. SHRI MOOL CHAND DAGA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:
- (a) the total number of persons registered in each category with DDA under HUDCO Scheme of 1979 and how many of them have been allotted flats so far in each category; and
- (b) the time by which the scheme will be finalised for allotment of flats?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR):
(a) The information is as under:—

| Category | Total registrants | Flats allotted/ allocated |
|----------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Janta | 56249 | 13354 |
| L.I.G. | 67502 | 10821 |
| M.I.G. | 47521 | 6394 |
| | 1,71,272 | 30,569 |

(b) No time bound schedule has been fixed.

Buffer Stock and Import of Foodgrains

- 73. SHRI MOOL CHAND DAGA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:
- (a) the quantum of buffer stocks of wheat and rice and the total cost involved thereof;
- (b) the details of import of wheat for the last four years and foreign exchange involved, year-wise and country-wise;
- (c) how do the expenses incurred in (a) and (b) compare and how does it affect nation's economy; and
- (d) the losses due to storage for the last four years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) The stocks of wheat and rice with the public agencies as on 1st December, 1984, and value thereof are estimated as under:—

| Estin | Eastimated Value (In crore | | |
|-------------|----------------------------------|---------|--|
| Sto | | | |
| (In million | | | |
| | tonnes) | rupees) | |
| Wheat | 15.51 | 2915.26 | |
| Rice | 6.02 | 1468.76 | |
| Total: | 21.53 | 4384.02 | |

(b) Year-wise and country-wise imports of wheat for the last 4 years were as under:—

| Year | Country | Quantity contracted (In lakh tonnes) | Estimated FOB value (in foreign Exchange) (Million US dollars) |
|---------|-----------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 1980-81 | _ | _ | |
| 1981-82 | U.S.A. | 15.15 | 262.066 |
| | Australia | 7.50 | 135.833 |
| 1982-83 | U.S.A. | 39.50 | 654.778 |
| 1983-84 | U.S.A. | 9.80 | 154.814 |
| | Canada | 5.00 | 80.246 |
| | Argentina | 6.50 | 97.750 |