

(b) Procurement prices of paddy for 1980-81 marketing season have been fixed at Rs. 105 per quintal for 'Common', Rs. 109 for 'Fine' and Rs. 113 for 'Superfine' varieties. These were fixed, as usual, on the basis of the recommendations made by APC and in consultation with the State Governments, and the concerned economic Ministries. In making its recommendations, the Commission had taken into account various factors including latest available data on cost of production, changes in input prices, changes in prices of competing crops, terms of trade, etc.

(c) By and large, the reaction of the farmers has been favourable.

Allotment of Model Flats and Strips of Garden land by D.D.A.

124. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR SINGH:

PROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA:

SHRI CHHANGUR RAM:

SHRI CHANDRAJIT YADAV:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of model flats and strips of garden land allotted by the D.D.A. in various colonies, giving the names of persons to whom these were allotted; and

(b) if so, the considerations on which such allotments were made by the D.D.A.?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI BHISHMA NARAIN SINGH): (a) The DDA has reported that they do not construct or allot model flats. However, one flat in each scheme/colony is reserved as sample flat which is allotted subsequently. Also, no strip of garden land has been allotted by the DDA in any colony to anyone.

(b) There are no special considerations for the allotment of sample flats.

Stock of Wheat and Sugar with F.O.I.

125. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total stock of (i) Wheat (ii) Sugar with the Food Corporation of India as on 1st April, 1980 and as on 31st October, 1980;

(b) what was the prices of both these commodities on the above dates mentioned in part (a) above in the open market; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to bring down the prices of sugar and wheat in the open market?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) The stock position of wheat and sugar with the Food Corporation of India on 1st April and 1st October, 1980 (information as on 31st October, 1980 is not available as yet) is indicated below:—

(In thousands and tonne)

	As on 1-4-1980	As on 1-10-1980
(i) Wheat	3,728.4	3,193.4
(ii) Sugar	108.5	109.9

(b) A Statement giving the required information is attached.

(c) In order to bring down the prices of sugar in the open market, Government accepted a voluntary offer of the sugar industry under which the factories agreed to deliver free sale sugar at a fixed price of Rs. 450/- per quintal ex-factory exclusive of excise duty to the nominees of the State Governments for distribution to various categories of consumers. This special arrangement was made to ensure the avail-