

(c) if so, number of such godowns already constructed by the Warehousing Corporation and the godowns which are under construction and which are proposed to be constructed during the remaining Sixth Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM):

(a) Yes, Sir. The guidelines in regard to the scheme for establishing a National Grid of Rural Godowns have been formulated and circulated to all States/Union Territories.

(b) and (c). After assessing the storage gaps in the rural sector on an area basis taking into consideration the existing and anticipated marketable surplus, the State Governments are to formulate proposals for setting up rural godowns under the scheme. So far, proposals submitted by the Gujarat State Government for construction of 100 godowns, including five by the Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation, under the scheme have been approved. The State Government has informed that the Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation tentatively proposes to construct 200 godowns under the scheme during the Sixth Plan period. The Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation has not so far constructed any godown under this scheme.

Fertilizer Consumption

6921. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALICK : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total target of Fertilisers consumption fixed by his Ministry for 1981-82;

(b) whether the target for consumption of fertiliser in the above year has been achieved;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the efforts made by his Ministry to increase the target of consumption of fertiliser in 1982-83 by various States?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (KUMARI KAMLA KUMARI) : (a) to (d). Against the fertiliser consumption target of 66 lakh tonnes of nutrients in 1981-82, the estimated achievement is 61.30 lakh tonnes. The target could not be achieved mainly due to aberrant weather in certain major consuming States.

The target of fertiliser consumption for 1982-83 has already been increased to 72.04 lakh tonnes of nutrients.

Amount paid by PADI to All India Sarwa Sewa Sangh

6922. SHRI B. R. NAHATA :
SHRI BABU LAL SOLANKI :

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) how much amount has been paid by PADI to All India Sarwa Sewa Sangh for its projects of Rural Welfare during the last three years;

(b) was any report submitted by these projects; and

(c) were there any audit objections and what was the result?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM) (a) to (c). No amount has been paid by PADI to All India Sarwa Sewa Sangh during the last three years.