THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) The commercial import of skim .milk powder was discontinued from 1975-76 in order to help indigenous production. The Operation Flood I Project which was launched in 1970 terminated on 31st March, 1981. The funds generated through sale of gift commodities received from European Economic Community for Operation Floor II Project launched in 1978 are being utilised as resources for implementation of the project. Any reduction in the quantum of gift commodities will affect implementation of the project.
(b) Since the gift commodities are being received from abroad on a regulated basis for implementation of specified dairy development programmes, it will not be proper to compare the gift imports of dairy commodities with wheat imports under P.L. 480
(c) Does not arise.
(d) Does not arise.

## Unauthorised issue of gift milk producis

2502. SHRI RASHEED MASOOD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:
(a) the issues of gift milk powder and butteroil year-wise under Opera_ tion Flood 1 to 4 metro dairies and Dther feeder batancing dairies individually since 1970 to date;
(b) whether Government are aware that as per Plan of Operations milk products were to be supplied only to 4 metro dairies for converting into 3 per cent milkfat milk;
(c) whether the gift commodities were used by some of the dairies in Gujarat for making baby food, butter, ghea etc. making huge profits and if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken in the matter;
(d) whether Government are aware that such unauthorised issues were limited to Gujarat Dairies only and requests from Punjab and Rajasthan
for such issues for conversion into fluid milk for Jaipur and Chandigarh were turned down and if so, the reasons thereof; and
(e) whether in the light of such serious activities Government will forthwith reorganise Dairy Board and take action against erring officers of the Ministry and Dairy Corporation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) The year-wise and dairy-wise issues of World Food Programme gift commodities received under Operation Flood I Project to 4 metro dairies and other feeder balancing dairies is furnished in the enclosed statements.
(b) According to the Plan of Operations agreed upon between the Government of India and the United Nations/FAO and World Food Programme for Operation Flood I, the commodities were to be given as follows:
(i) to milk processing plants in the four metropolitan cities of Calcutta. Bombay, De:hi and Madras.
(ii) if deemed appropriate, to the feeder balancing plants connected with and supplying mi $k$ to the milk plants in the four metro cities.
(iii) It was also an obligation of the Government that as part of the project, the Government will undertake the production of low cost protein milk substitute during the pe. riod of the project.
The commodities were issued by the Indian Dairy Corporation in accordance with the above three provisions made in the agreement.
(c) No, Sir.
(d) The dairies at Jaipur and Chandigarh were not feeder dairies to the metro cities as participants of Operation Flood I Project.
(e) Does not arise.
Statement
(Figures in M.T.)
Yer-wise and Dairywise Issue of World Food Progranns Donated Commodities since inception

(+) Provisional upto December, 1981,
Statement


