

(c) The quantities referred to are indicated below:

	Tons.
(i) Cattle/poultry feed. or manure.	254
(ii) Starch making.	2,715
(iii) Destroyed (i.e. dumped).	2

Items (i) and (ii) work out to about 38½ per cent. of the quantities shown in (a) and (b) above.

#### Seminar on Agriculture and Food Prices

2826. { Shri S. M. Banerjee:  
Shri Tangamani:  
Shri Prabhat Kar:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether an Asian seminar on Agriculture and Food Prices was held at Delhi in March, 1958; and

(b) if so, what decisions were taken?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** (a) FAO/ECAFE Centre on Policies to Support and Stabilise Agricultural Prices and Incomes in Asia and the Far East was held in New Delhi between 21st March, 1958 to 3rd April, 1958.

(b) A statement is placed on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 33.]

#### Procurement of Rice in States

2827. **Shri N. R. Munisamy:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether any instructions have been issued to State Governments as to the method and manner of procurement of rice within their States:

(b) if so, what are they; and

(c) what is the estimated demand for foodgrains in the current year due to failure of rain?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) It is difficult to assess separately the demand for foodgrains caused by the failure of rain.

#### Light on Barsi Railway Station

2828. **Shri Assar:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is not sufficient light on Barsi Railway Station;

(b) whether it is a fact that there were so many complaints in this respect; and

(c) if so, the reasons for the delay in providing sufficient light?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) on Barsi town station 11 high power Petromax and 6 kerosene lamps have been provided and this arrangement is considered adequate;

(b) No public complaints have been received regarding inadequacy of lights on Barsi town station.

(c) Does not arise.

#### Paddy in Andhra

2829. **Shri R. L. Reddy:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state whether large stocks of paddy in Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh are available and that the off-take to Madras city and other markets in Madras State, is not satisfactory?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** Substantial stocks of paddy are reported to be available in Nellore District and movement to Madras during recent weeks is stated to have declined to some extent.