

Fish Oils

620. **Shri V. P. Nayar:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the total value of Fish Oils produced in India at present; and
- (b) what is the value of such oils consumed as food/medicine?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) About Rs. 9 lakhs per annum.

(b) According to figures available, the value of such oils consumed as medicine is about Rs. 8 lakhs. No information is available regarding its use as food.

Yield of Foodgrains in States

621. **Shri V. P. Nayar:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) the latest position of per acre yield of foodgrains in the various States of India as compared to the per acre yield in 1950-51; and
- (b) the per acre consumption of chemical fertilisers in the above States for foodgrains?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 78.]

(b) This Ministry do not have firm figures of per acre consumption of fertilisers for foodgrains in the various States. However, on the basis of available information about the quantities of nitrogenous fertilisers reported to be distributed in different States under GMF and where this information is not yet available, on the basis of the quantities of nitrogenous fertilisers allotted to the States for various agricultural crops, estimates of average per acre consumption have been framed and are given in Statement No. 2. The estimates have been arrived at by dividing the figures relating to the quantities of fertilisers distributed or allocated by

the figures relating to total area under major foodgrains, i.e., rice and wheat during 1957-58. It may again be stated that the figures given in the Statement are only estimated averages framed on the basis of information available with the Ministry and may not be treated as firm figures.

In addition to the nitrogenous fertilisers, some quantities of phosphatic fertilisers are also distributed under GMF, but they are relatively less important for foodgrains.

Production of Fish

622. **Shri V. P. Nayar:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the latest figures for the annual production of fish meat, leafy vegetables and milk and milk products in each of the States in India?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): About 12.33 lakh metric tons of fish were produced in India in 1957. State-wise figures of production are not available. As regards the production of meat, milk and milk products, statements indicating the annual State-wise production in India are laid on the Table. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 79.] No information regarding annual production of leafy vegetables is available.

Grant for Fisheries Schemes in States

623. **Shri V. P. Nayar:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central funds allotted for the various States for fisheries schemes have been utilised in full or whether in several States there is a shortfall; and
- (b) the latest position and the extent of shortfall in the various States in grants and aids made by the Centre for fisheries schemes?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) There is a shortfall in several States.