

puts and outputs. Price policy of the Government has played positive role in the modernisation process of agriculture which has significantly increased the yield per hectare of principal crops of rice, jowar, wheat, sugarcane, groundnut, cotton, potato, tobacco etc. ranging from 0.91 to 3.2 per cent per annum during the years 1967-68 to 1981-82 in the country. Increased productivity coupled with increases in support prices is expected to have contributed to increase in real income of the farmers although no comprehensive study for its assessment for the country has been carried out.

(b) According to provisional figures of Census of India 1981, 66.69 per cent of the main workers comprising cultivators (41.53 per cent) and agricultural labourers (25.16 per cent) were engaged in agriculture. A number of small and marginal farmers among the cultivators and most of the agricultural labourers buy foodgrains for their consumption needs.

(c) During the last three years since 1979-80 of the total increase in wholesale price index the share of foodgrains has been 11.6 per cent.

(d) The objective of Government's policy is to safeguard and promote the interest of the cultivators including small and marginal farmers both as producers as well as consumers of foodgrains. To increase the real income of small and marginal farmers the Government is taking various measures which inter-alia include provision of easy credit, subsidies on agricultural inputs, irrigation, crop insurance, land development etc. In addition the Government spends annually several hundreds of crores of rupees on general subsidy on fertilizers and on foodgrains supplied through public distribution system.

नाफेड के माध्यम से रामतिल के  
बीजों का निर्यात

960 . श्रीमती किशोरी सिन्हा :  
श्री मोती भाई आर० चौधरी :  
श्री रवीन्द्र वर्मा :

क्या कृषि मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा  
करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने नाफेड के माध्यम से रामतिल का निर्यात करने का निर्णय लिया है;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि नाफेड, पहले यह काम नहीं कर रहा था ?

कृषि मन्त्री (राव बीरेन्द्र सिंह) : (क) से (ग) जानकारी एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

Increase in Price of MD Milk

9608. SHRI K. PRADHANI :  
SHRI N.E. HORO :  
SHRI K. MALLANNA :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that prices of Mother Dairy's toned milk and full cream milk have been raised recently;

(b) if so, to what extent and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it would have its effect on other milk products also; and

(d) how many times the prices have been raised during last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN  
THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
(SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) :  
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Toned and full cream milk prices were increased by 20 paise per litre w.e.f. 1.4.1983.

The main reasons for enhancing price of Mother Dairy milk are :

(i) Higher price paid to the State Dairy Cooperative Federations for fresh milk.

(ii) Higher price paid to Indian Dairy Corporation for milk powder and butter oil.

(iii) Increase in diesel price.

(iv) Increase in transportation charges by railways.

(c) No, Sir, Mother Dairy, Delhi is marketing only liquid milk.

(d) Price of full cream milk and toned milk which are being marketed by Mother Dairy at present have been raised as under :

*Full Cream Milk—*

1981	Nil
1982	2 times
1983	1 time

*Toned Milk—*

1981	1 time
1982	1 time
1983	1 time

**Godowns in the Country**

9609. SHRI SHANTUBHAI PATEL : Will the Minister Of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) the number of godowns belonging to the Centre, States and the private agencies for storing foodgrains, State-wise; and

(b) the amount of the rent paid for godowns belonging to the private parties State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD) : (a) and (b) Storage capacity for foodgrains is provided mainly by Food Corporation of India which constructs its own godowns and also hires from various other agencies. A statement showing, State-wise, the number of godowns owned by Food Corporation of India and hired by it from various agencies as on 1.3.1983 and rent paid by it during 1981-82 to private parties is attached.

**Statement**

*Number of godowns owned by Food Corporation of India and hired by it from various agencies as on 1.3.1983 and rent paid by FCI to private parties during 1981-82*

S. No.	Name of State/ Union Territory	Owned by FCI	Hired by FCI from					Total No. of godowns	Amount of rent paid during 1981-82 (Rs. in lakhs)
			State Govts.	CWC	SWCs	Private parties	Others		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.	Assam	17	1	1	6	53	1	79	36.09
2.	Andhra Pradesh	25	—	24	11	73	5	138	124.02
3.	Bihar	16	2	4	2	59	—	83	88.02
4.	Delhi	3	—	1	—	1	—	5	0.35
5.	Gujarat	6	—	5	—	15	4	30	63.64
6.	Haryana	28	1	3	32	77	1	142	140.75
7.	Himachal Pradesh	—	8	—	—	3	2	13	3.42