

Year	Allocation (in Rs.)	Expenditure (in Rs.)
1952-53	because there was no separate allocation for locust work in the total budget of the Directorate of Plant Protection Quarantine and Storage.	15,13,195
1953-54	20,29,000	34,46,112
1954-55	34,19,200	17,55,998
1955-56	34,19,800	21,27,247
1956-57	17,27,600	24,04,018
1957-58	10,41,000	10,00,206
1958-59	7,50,100	8,87,445
1959-60	10,17,800	12,86,632

(c) In the desert reas of the Punjab, Rajasthan and Bombay States, covering a total of about 82,000 Sq. miles.

Chinese Method of Paddy Cultivation

1528. Shri N. R. Muniswamy: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chinese method of paddy cultivation was experimented in India;

(b) if so, the number of farms where the experiment was carried out and the results achieved;

(c) the cost of production per maund in general together with overhead charges and supervision expenses; and

(d) whether Government are satisfied with the cost and quantity produced per acre?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): (a) Yes.

(b) A: 28 Government Farms, but the data of the experiments have been received so far from three centres only. No final conclusions can, therefore, be arrived at.

(c) Expenditure figures were available from two centres viz, Pattambi (Kerala) and Nasirpur (Punjab) and are given below:

Centre	Expenditure (Rs./acre)	Mean Grain Yield (md./ acre)
Nasirpur	4270	36.3
Pattambi	2597	16.8

Supervision expenses have not been included in the above expenditure as

the experiments were supervised as a normal part of the duties of the officers in charge of the farms.

(d) The results received so far do not indicate any marked superiority of the Chinese method of cultivation over the Japanese and local improved methods in giving higher yields of paddy. The method is also much more expensive.

Lighthouse at Etimaga

1529. Shri M. V. Krishna Rao: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have under consideration a proposal to construct a Lighthouse at Etimaga in the mouth of the River Krishna in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the results thereof?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Dr. P. Subbarayan):

(a) No, Sir. There is no such proposal under the consideration of Government. Nor has the need for a lighthouse at the place mentioned been suggested to Government so far by any party.

(b) Does not arise.

Community Development Works in Tripura

1530. Shri Dasaratha Deb: Will the Minister of Community Development and Co-operation be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount spent so far on the Community Development works at Amarpur Sub-division, Tripura; and

(b) the major items of expenditure?

The Deputy Minister of Community Development and Co-operation (Shri B. S. Murthy): (a) Rs. 8.250 lakhs upto December, 1959.

(b) The major items of expenditure are (i) Animal Husbandry and Agriculture Extension (ii) Irrigation (iii) Health and Rural Sanitation (iv) Education (v) Social Education (vi) Communications (vii) Rural Arts, Crafts and Industries and (viii) Co-operation.