

Hydraulics, Soil Engineering and allied subjects allotted to 18 Research Stations in the country. It has not been possible so far to achieve significant progress in the study of these problems, mainly due to the lack of delicate scientific instruments and equipment. A part of the required equipment involving foreign exchange worth Rs. 1.75 lakhs selected through the India Supply Mission, Washington has since been ordered and the rest of the required instruments, worth about Rs. 6 lakhs are being ordered from other countries. On receipt of the required instruments, the Research Stations may be expected to go ahead with this work more vigorously.

(b) No.

#### **Financing of Water Supply and Sanitation Schemes by Municipal Corporations**

**3377. Shri Bibhuti Mishra:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of India have proposed to allow Municipal Corporations in India to finance their water supply and sanitation scheme; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**The Minister of Health (Shri Kar-markar):** (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **Fertilizers for Andhra Pradesh**

**3378. Shri Rami Reddy:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested for increased allocation of Chemical Fertilisers to the State;

(b) what is the reaction of the Central Government thereto;

(c) what is the quantity supplied for the year ending the 31st December, 1960 to this State; and

(d) whether the allocation for 1961-62 for the State will be increased?

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

(b) The requirement will, as usual, be taken into account in making allocations for 1961-62 from available supplies, which are less than the total requirements for all the States.

(c) The allotment of fertilisers is made on the basis of financial year beginning from the 1st of April. Against the allocation for 1960-61, the following quantities of different fertilisers have been supplied to Andhra Pradesh upto 31st March, 1961:—

(All fig. in metric tons)

Kind of fertiliser	Quantity supplied
Sulphate of Ammonia	73,670
Ammonium sulphate Nitrate	6,678
Calcium Ammonium Nitrate	15,230
Urea	4,094

(d) Yes. The allocation will be more than in 1960-61.

#### **Bullocks for Agriculturists**

**3379. Shri Kalika Singh:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the scheme, if any, evolved by the Ministry for cheap availability of bullocks to agriculturists and co-operative farms;

(b) whether bullocks are in short supply and the prices thereof are exorbitant and rising steadily throughout India;

(c) if so, the steps Government have adopted for quick multiplication of standard bullocks and reducing or subsidising the prices; and

(d) has the Ministry studied the scheme of the Soviet Government, as revealed in the speech of N. Khrushchev at Ukrainian Communist Party Plenum on the 1st February, 1961, through which agriculturists in collective farms will get implements at re-