

taken to disseminate this information to the cultivators in view of shortage of rice in India and consequent import of considerable amount of rice ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOJENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir. The technique of growing paddy by direct seeding has been developed. Normally 4-5 seeds are placed in lines in puddled land using seed drills.

(b) Information about this technology is being disseminated through bulletins, refresher training courses and extension agencies.

Allotment of 66 Houses under S.F.S. in Saket

3149. SHRI DALBIR SINGH : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state :

(a) whether 66 flats completed in 1983 under the Self Financing Scheme at Malviya Nagar Extension (Saket) had been allotted to persons other than those registered under the SFS in this area ;

(b) if so, the basis of such allotments ; and

(c) whether any flats have been left unallotted, out of these 66 flats and if so, whether these will be allotted to the legitimate allottees under SFS at Malviya Nagar Extension (Saket) ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS, IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING

AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) and (b). DDA has reported that out of 66 completed additional flats, 64 flats have been allocated to various categories of people including those who have been allocated flats in Saket on out-of-turn basis or in change allowed on compassionate grounds.

(c) Yes, 2 flats are unallotted and will be given to the allottees of Saket, (Malviya Nagar Extension).

Storage Depots in the Country

3150. SHRI R.R. BHOLE : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) how many regions/zones are there in India for the purpose of storage depots and how many storage depots are there in each zone/region ; and

(b) the cost of construction of storage depot/per metric tonne of storage capacity of the depots last built and the years in which they were built ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (DR. M.S. SANJEEVI RAO) : (a) The Food Corporation of India has four zones consisting of 19 regions with 1782 storage depots. A statement showing zone/region-wise break-down of storage depots is enclosed.

(b) The per tonne cost of construction of storage depots built by the Corporation during 1983-84 was approximately Rs. 500/- for depots without railway siding and Rs. 770/- for depots with railway siding

Statement

Zone	Region	No. of storage depots
1	2	3
I. EAST	1. Assam	57
	2. North East Frontier	21
	3. Bihar	95
	4. Orissa	50
	5. West Bengal	245