

sively by the end of 1984. With the completion of the above two augmentation schemes, the production of water in Delhi will go upto 412 MGD.

Investigations are also in progress for locating additional ranny wells for augmenting water supply by additional 20 MGD.

#### Increase in Prices of Vanaspati

1153. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether some State Governments had urged the Central Government in June this year to issue statutory orders enjoining on vanaspati manufacturers to sell 30 per cent of their produce to the concerned State Governments for public distribution ;

(b) if so, Government's response thereto ; and

(c) whether even after the recent increase in prices of vanaspati the commodity was not available and the retail prices soared comparatively much higher as a result of the artificial scarcity ; if so, the actual supply and prices position in Delhi and other States/Union Territories in April, May and June this year ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (DR. M. S. SANJEEVI RAO) : (a) and (b) With a view to ensuring easy availability of vanaspati to the consumers at reasonable prices, Government of India advised the State Governments/U.T. Administrations in March, 1984 to procure upto 30% of vanaspati produced in their respective jurisdiction for sale through State Government/U.T. nominees or through Public Distribution System.

(c) During the period April to June,

1984 which includes the period after the recent increase in vanaspati prices, the price position and availability of vanaspati were reported to be generally satisfactory. Sporadic reports of shortages, as and when received, were promptly dealt with by directing vanaspati industry to rush supplies or by taking other remedial measures.

#### उर्वरकों की ऊँचे मूल्यों

#### पर बिक्री

1154. श्री चतुर्भुज : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने 1983 में उर्वरकों के मूल्य में कमी की थी ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो घोषणा के अनुसार वितरण एजेन्सियों के नामों सहित वितरण के लिये विभिन्न एजेन्सियों को उर्वरकों की राज्य-वार कितनी मात्रा में उपलब्ध कराई जाती है ;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि उर्वरकों का वितरण करने वाली एजेन्सियों ने सरकार द्वारा सारे देश में निर्धारित दरों का पालन नहीं किया और उर्वरकों की बिक्री पुराने मूल्यों पर ही की थी ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने इस मामले में कोई कार्यवाही की थी ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री योगेन्द्र मकवाना) : (क) कृषि और सहकारिता विभाग ने 29.6.1983 से उर्वरकों की विभिन्न किस्मों के मूल्यों में 7½ प्रतिशत की आम कटौती की घोषणा की है। भारतीय खाद्य निगम के पास 2 वर्षों से अधिक समय से पड़े यूरिया तथा डी. ए. पी. के भण्डार की सूची लागत को कम करने के विचार से सरकार ने विशेष छूट