

(b) the arrangements Government have made to look after such young evacuees ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R. K. KHADILKAR) : (a) In view of the continuing influx, it has not been possible to compute the number of orphans having no relations or guardians to look after them in camps.

(b) In order to enable the orphans to remain in their own environment of language, culture and kinship, they are being kept along with other refugees from East Bengal in camps.

Instruction have, however, been issued to ensure special care of these orphans and social workers in the camps have been asked to pay particular attention to them.

Loss of Relief Materials meant for Bangla Desh refugees

7135. SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any reports of loss of relief materials meant for evacuees from Bangla Desh by reason of theft and other causes ;

(b) if so, the items of goods that have been lost and value thereof ; and

(c) the step Government have taken or propose to take to stop such loss of relief materials ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R. K. KHADILKAR) : (a) and (b). Information is being collected from State Governments etc. and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) On examination of the reports which are awaited from State Governments etc., suitable action will be taken.

Diploma Course in Agriculture and Setting up of Agricultural College in Districts

7136. SHRI GANGA REDDY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are thinking to introduce diploma course in agriculture ;

(b) if so, whether Government are thinking to set up Agricultural College in every district ; and

(c) whether it is proposed to introduce agriculture as a Compulsory subject at high school level ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE) : (a) and (b). No, Sir.

(c) There is no proposal to introduce Agriculture as a compulsory subject at high school level.

Use of Insecticides for Agriculture and Horticulture in Kerala

7137. SHRIMATI BHARGAVI THANKAPPAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the amount of insecticides estimated to be used on an average annually for agricultural and horticultural purposes in the State of Kerala ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE) : The estimated quantity of various formulation used in the State of Kerala in the years 1969-70 and 1970-71, is as under :

1969-70	...	999	metric tonnes
1970-71	...	2,256	" "

In 1971-72, it is anticipated that about 1,880 metric tonnes of pesticides are likely to be used. These quantities comprise of 29 different items of chemicals.

Installation of Tube-Wells for Utilisation of Underground Water Resources in of Hill Areas of Kerala

7138. SHRIMATI BHARGAVI THANKAPPAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the hill areas of Kerala are very rich from the point of view of underground water resources ; and

(b) if so, the scheme being formulated by Government to instal more tube-wells there in order to make use of the underground water resources ?