

मध्य प्रदेश में हर्दा और तिमस्तानी के
छोटी जोत वाले किसानों को
केन्द्रीय सहायता

2378. श्री गंगा चरण दीक्षित : क्या
कृषि मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश के होशंगाबाद और पूर्व
निमाड़ जिलों की हर्दा और तिमस्तानी तहसीलों
के छोटी जोत वाले कितने किसानों को सरकार
की घोषित नीति के अन्तर्गत सहायता दी गई
है ; और

(ख) उक्त सहायता दिये जाने की क्या
शर्त हैं और क्या सरकार ने कृषि उपकरणों
के मूल्य कम कर दिये है जिससे छोटी जोत
वाले किसान उन्हें उचित दरों पर प्राप्त कर
सकें ?

कृषि मन्त्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री जगन्नाथ
पहाड़िया) : (क) राज्य सरकार द्वारा छोटे
कृषक विकास एजेंसी, सीमान्त कृषक तथा
कृषि श्रमिक और ग्रामीण निर्माण कार्यक्रम की
केन्द्रीय प्रायोजित योजनाओं की कार्यान्विति के
लिये छाँटे गये जिलों में होशंगाबाद तथा पूर्वी
निमाड़ जिले सम्मिलित नहीं हैं ।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं होता ।

**Drought-Affected Areas in India and
particularly in the District of Gujarat**

2379. SHRI JADEJA : Will the
Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to
state :

(a) the total number of drought-affected
Districts in the country and the number of
such Districts in Gujarat ;

(b) whether any special fund has been
sanctioned to the Gujarat State ; and

(c) if so, the amount thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI
ANNASAHAB P. SHINDE): (a) The South-
West monsoon and the North-East monsoon
during the year 1970-71 were not satis-
factory in parts of Bihar, Mysore,
Maharashtra and Jammu and Kashmir.
Scarcity conditions have been reported in
66 districts of the country. No district
in Gujarat has been declared as drought-
affected.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

**Buffer Stock of Imported Fertilisers
in States**

2380. SHRI JADUJA : Will the
Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to
state :

(a) whether buffer stocks of imported
fertilisers are likely to be built up by
Government in each State according to its
needs ; and

(b) if so, the salient features of this
scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI
ANNASAHAB P. SHINDE) : (a) and (b).
No, Sir. It has always been the endeavour
of the Government of India to help the
States to have adequate stocks of fertilisers
in advance of the cropping seasons. It is,
however, not possible for the Government
of India to maintain buffer stocks of
fertilisers in each State on behalf of the
State Governments. The Central Fertiliser
Pool primarily maintains pipeline storage
at the ports and to a limited extent at
interior depots for want of adequate storage
at the ports or to facilitate movement and
distribution. Maintenance of buffer storage
in the States is primarily the function of
the State Governments and distributors
including cooperatives ; provision for this
purpose exists in the distribution margin
allowed to distributing agencies.

**Sharing fruits of 'increased Productivity
to Workers**

2381. SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR
SENGH : Will the Minister of LABOUR