institutions is given by the Government on merits without any religious or denominational considerations. No separate statistics of such institutions is therefore maintained.

(b) Adequate arrangements exists to scrutinize proper utilization of Government grants

Establishment of Shipyards during Fifth Plan in Gujarat State

2063. SHRI P. M. MEHTA. Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state

- (a) whether the Union Government are seriously considering the establishment of one or two shippards during the Fifth Plan period in Gujarat State, and
- (b) if so, when the final decision is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI M B RANA)

(a) and (b) Various maritime State Governments including Gujarat have sent proposals for establishment of new shippards in their states. A Techno-Economic Working Group has been set up to evaluate sites proposed by the State Governments including the site proposed by Government of Gujarat

Proposals for the establishment of new shippards have also been forwarded to the Planning Commission and are presently under consideration. A final decision regarding establishment of new shippards will be taken after the contents of the Fifth Plan are known and their locations decided in the light of the recommendations of the Techno-Economic Group.

Sirikes banned in Food Corporation of India under Defence of India Rules

2064. SHRI P. M. MEHTA: SHRI Y. ESWARA REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Centre has invoked the Defence of India Rules to prohibit strikes in the Food Corporation of India:
- (b) if so, whether inspite of these rules, the strike of most of the Branches of the Food Corporation of India has been going on, and
- (c) if so, whether the Union of employees of the Food Corporation of India have shown their desire to sit and discuss the problems with the authorities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P SHINDE) (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) No. Sir
- (c) Does not arise

New Research Programme by I C A.R. to save crops from unfavourable Weather during Fifth Plan

2065 SHRI P M MEHTA SHRI SHRIKISHAN AGAR-WAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICUL-TURE be pleased to state

- (a) whether the Indian Council of Agricultural Research has finalised a new research programmes for the Fifth Plan designed to save crops when they run into aberrant weather and has evolved alternative cropping strategies to effect mid-season correction,
- (b) if so, the main features thereof,
- (c) when the scheme is likely to be introduced; and

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(d) whether the Planning Commission has approved the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE): (a) Yes. A few new research programmes to meet the challenge of aberrant weather are proposed to be undertaken intensively during the 5th plan under the All India Coordinated Research Project for Dryland agriculture.

- (b) The main features of the new research programmes are (i) minimal irrigation wherever available; (ii) choice of shorter duration and thermoinsensitive crops when the monsoons are delayed; and (iii) ratooning of crops to overcome the drought effects.
- (c) and (d). The Planning Commission has already approved the All India Coordinated Research Project for Dryland agriculture which is in operation since October, 1970. The project will continue during the 5th plan when the new research programmes mentioned under (b) will be implemented intensively as an integral part of this scheme.

Rationing on the Housing Space in Metropolitan Cities

2067. SHRI R. K. SINHA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to impose rationing on the housing space which is rent out in metropolitan cities and bigger cities having a population of over one lakh and charge control rate; and
 - (b) if so, the particulars thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI OM MEHTA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Setting up of Unit of Mediara Bakeries in Palmaked Biriston of U.P.

2060. SHRI R. K. SINHA; Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal of the Government to set up a Unit of Modern Bakeries somewhere in Faizabad Division of Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, when and where and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the criteria followed in setting up a Unit of Modern Bakeries in a particular place?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB F. SHINDE):
(a) No, Sir. At present there is no proposal to set up a Unit of Modern Bakeries at Faizabad Division of Uttar Pradesh.

- (b) Preliminary studies do not indicate sufficient potential in Faizabad Division for setting up an economic sized plant at present and important centres in the Division could be supplied with their immediate requirements from the Kanpur plant, which is being expanded.
- (c) The main criteria are need, demand potential, communication facilities, availability of facilities like power etc., and the capacity of the company for expansion.

Lady School Teachers in Uttar Pradesh

2069. SHRI R. K. SINHA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Lady School teachers in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) their percentage with the total number of teachers in Uttar Pradesh;
 and
- (c) the proposals under consideration of Government to increase the number of lady school teachers in Uttar Pradesh?