

milk powder and gift of milk powder separately; and

(d) the present thinking of Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI B. P. MAURYA): (a), (b) and (d). Under Project WFP 618 (Operation Flood) the expansion of four metropolitan dairies was to be completed during the second year of the project, as under:—

	(in litres)	
	Pre-Project	After expansion
Delhi Milk Scheme	300,000	380,000
Greater Milk Scheme Bombay	500,000	605,000
Greater Calcutta	200,000	265,000
Madras	50,000	100,000

The expansion was delayed due to late arrival of gift equipment from UNICEF. However, the target has been reached in case of Madras while the expansion in the case of Delhi, Bombay and Calcutta is likely to be completed shortly.

(c) The expenditure on the expansion schemes was to be made out of the funds generated from the sale of gift skim milk powder and Butter Oil.

Sale of books Published by Urdu Board

2153. SHRI N. K. SANGHI: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the books published by the Urdu Board are already being put out by the National Book Trust, another Government Undertaking;

(b) if so, why this overlapping is being involved in the arrangement

(c) in what way it is financially helpful?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV): (a) to (c). The National Book Trust, an autonomous organisation, agreed to arrange the printing of Urdu manuscripts prepared under the auspices of the Tarqum-e-Urdu Board in the Board's formative stage. The Trust also agreed to cover the distribution and sale of such books through its sales organisation. This arrangement has continued so far. There is no overlapping involved in this arrangement. In fact, duplication by creation of a separate sales machinery under the Board in its formative stages, has thus been avoided. The work of the Board has, however, increased now, and the most suitable arrangement for getting the books printed and sold is under consideration in the light of the changed situation.

Discussion between India and Pakistan for Resuming cultural exchange

2154. SHRI MADHU LIMAYE: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any discussion between the Governments of India and Pakistan over the question of resuming cultural exchanges in the last two years;

(b) what were the concrete proposals made by the Government of India in this regard; and

(c) what is the response of the Government of Pakistan to these proposals?