

(a) the ports in the country which are handling over the five million tons of cargo per year;

(b) the ports which have Seamen's Recruitment Offices; and

(c) the action proposed by Government to open such offices at the remaining ports?

The Minister of Transport and Shipping (Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao): (a) The following major ports handled more than 5 million tons traffic during the year 1966-67:—

- (1) Bombay.
- (2) Calcutta.
- (3) Madras.
- (4) Mormugao.
- (5) Visakhapatnam.

(b) Bombay and Calcutta.

(c) There is no such proposal under consideration.

Supply of Rice to West Bengal by Orissa

7499. Shri K. Narayana Rao: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Short Notice Question No. 22 on the 4th July, 1967 regarding rice supply to West Bengal by Orissa and state:

(a) whether Government have since received any report from the Orissa Government with regard to the reported allegation that sub-standard rice had been supplied to West Bengal by Orissa Government; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government of Orissa has been addressed to inform the Central Government of the result of the

enquiry which that Government proposes to conduct. The State Government has also been asked to examine the need for tightening the rice specifications so as to bring it to the level recommended by the Central Government.

दिल्ली में बीजों की बिक्री

- 7500. श्री यशवन्त सिंह कुशवाह :**
 श्री शिवकुमार शास्त्री :
 श्री रामावतार शर्मा :
 श्री अर्जुन सिंह भदौरिया :
 श्री झा० सुन्दर लाल :
 डा० सूर्य प्रकाश पुरी :
 श्री रघुबीर सिंह शास्त्री :
 श्री आत्म दास :

क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बनाने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि हाल में दिल्ली प्रणामन ने किसानों को 150 रुपये प्रति क्विंटल की दर से बीज बेचे हैं जिसके वारे में किसानों में बड़ा अग्रन्तोष है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने इस मामले की कोई जांच कराई है ;

(ग) यदि हां तो उसका क्या परिणाम निकला है ; और

(घ) इस मामले में सम्बन्धित व्यक्तियों के विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

खाद्य, कृषि, सामुदायिक विकास तथा सहकार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अन्ना साहिब शिन्डे) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) ने (घ). प्रश्न ही नहीं होता ।