

(d) The meeting provided a very useful opportunity for exchange of views on the methods to be followed in agricultural projections. The experience gained by participating in the deliberations of the meeting is of immense help to the Indian experts in their work.

Quotas of Gur for States

1418. **Shri P. R. Patel:** Will the Minister of **Food and Agriculture** be pleased to state:

(a) the quotas of gur allotted to different States this year; and

(b) the principles followed in allotment?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) Import quotas of gur allotted to various States for the months of November and December, 1963 are as under:—

State/region	Import Quotas allotted (Tonnes)	
	November, 63	December, 63
Assam .	1,100	700
Gujarat .	5,600	10,500
Kerala .	1,000	1,600
Madras .	100	..
Madhya Pradesh	2,000	2,500
Maharashtra .	3,000	3,500
Mysore .	400	400
Orissa .	1,000	1,000
Punjab .	6,000	6,000
Rajasthan .	3,350	5,000
West Bengal .	5,100	6,000
Delhi .	1,000	2,000
TOTAL . . .	29,650	39,200

(b) Quotas were allotted on the basis of data available on inter-State movement of gur during the respective months in the past two years and availability for export reported by the surplus States.

Fokker Friendship Service

1419. **Shrimati Jyotsna Chanda:** Will the Minister of **Transport** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to extend Fokker Friendship air services during the Third Plan period;

(b) if so, on which routes;

(c) whether it is a fact that Fokker Friendship Service to Agartala has recently been withdrawn; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport (Shri Mohiuddin):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As soon as Amritsar, Imphal, Patna and Lilabari airfields are ready for F-27 operations, the Corporation has plans to introduce the following Fokker Friendship services:—

1. Delhi-Amritsar-Jammu - Srinagar.
2. Calcutta-Agartala-Silchar - Imphal.
3. Delhi - Lucknow-Allahabad-Benaras-Patna-Calcutta.
4. Calcutta - Gauhati-Tezpur-Jorhat-Lilabari-Mohanbari.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Aircraft routing had to be changed for operational reasons arising out of the loss of one Viscount aircraft in an accident and this necessitated discontinuance of the Agartala service.

Import of Foodgrains

1420. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of **Food and Agriculture** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered the feasibility of reduction in the import of foodgrains; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?