

**PURCHASE OF MILK POWDER BY D.M.S.**

479. SHRI P. P. ESTHOSE:  
 SHRI UMANATH:  
 SHRI GANESH GHOSH:  
 SHRI K. RAMANI:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that he Delhi Milk Scheme, which was purchasing milk powder at a rate Rs. 1,400 per tonne in 1965, is now chasing it at a rate of Rs. 3,400 per tone;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the names of countries from where Government is purchasing the milk powder?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) The table below indicates the required information:—

Yer	Average price	Minimum	Maximum
RS.	Rs.	price Rs.	price RS.
1964-65	1726.45	1439.61	1929.00
1965-66	1386.33	1386.33	1386.33
1966-67	3416.10	2932.20	3900.00

(b) Due to the general upward trend in the world market, and devaluation of the Indian Rupee.

(c) Denmark and Poland.

**PROVISION OF CONVEYANCE TO VOTERS BY CANDIDATES DURING ELECTIONS**

480. SHRI ANBUCHEZHIAN: Will the Minister of LAW be pleased to State:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Election Commission has advised all concerned to institute prosecution against those candidates who resort to the illegal practices of providing

conveyance to the voters for coming and going from polling stations and thus induce them to vote for them;

(b) whether it is also a fact that they have also stated that conveyance of voters in the above manner could also be used as a ground for an election petition against the offending candidate; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) A copy of the Election Commission's Press Note dated the 28th December, 1967 is placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-88/68].

**COMMONWEALTH FORESTRY CONFERENCE**

481. SHRI ANBUCHEZHIAN:  
 SHRI HEM RAJ:  
 SHRI BASWANT:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the ninth Commonwealth Forestry Conference was held in New Delhi on the 3rd January, 1968;

(b) if so, the countries that participated in the Conference; and

(c) what subjects discussed and the decisions arrived at in the Conference.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) the undermentioned countries participated in the Conference:—

1. Australia
2. Canada
3. Ceylon