Will the Minister of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government have appealed to the different countries for lending improved farm services for Agricultural production:
 - (b) if so, to which countries; and
- (c) which countries have responded to the appeal?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Shyam Dhar Misra): (a) to (c). No general appeal, as such, has been issued to Governments of other countries. But enquiries are being made from various countries as well as international bodies for assistance in procuring fertilisers, pesticides, agricultural machinery etc. Offers have been received from some countries and with some negotiations are in progress.

कृषि उ:पादन

1272 श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय : श्री यशपाल सिंह :

क्या **कार्य, कृषि, सामुदायिक विकास तथा** सहकार मंत्री यह दलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) मध्य प्रदेश, पंजाब, उत्तर प्रदेश, महास तया केरत राज्यों में महिक स्नताज पैदा करते के लिये पिछते तीन महीनों में कहां तक दिखली, पानो सीरखद का प्रशेग किया गया; भीर
- (ख) इस के परिणामस्वरूप उत्पादन कितना बढ़ जाने का इनुमान है ?

साध, कृषि, सामुदायिक विकास तथा सहकार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री श्यामधर 2582(ai)LSD-4. मिश्र): (न) एक विवरण सभा पटल पर रखा गया है। [पुरतकालय में रक्ता गया, वेकिये संख्या LT-5632/66]

 (ख) श्रभी तक ग्रनुमानों को ग्रन्तिम रूप नहीं दिया गया है।

General Elections

1273. Shri Umanath: Will the Minister of Law be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to go ahεad with the ensuing General Elections in the country, maintaining the detention of the Left Communists throughout the country;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) if not, whether the question was considered at any stage; and
- (d) if so, the decision of Government in this respect?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Law (Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman): (a) The detention of individuals under the Defence of India Rules is not related to the question of conduct of general elections.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Credit to Rural Population

1274. Shri P. R. Chakraverti: Will the Minister of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation be pleased to state:

- (a) the total volume of credit advanced to rural population through the cooperatives during last three years:
- (b) whether any analysis has been made to find out the pattern of distribution of rural credit among the house-holders;
- (c) whether it is a fact that overwhelmingly large volume of credit goes to the richer households;
- (d) whether the All-India Rural Credit Survey suggested in 1954 that