

AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 912 on the 25th July 1968 and state;

(a) whether Government have finalised the proposal to set up an Agricultural Commission; and

(b) if so, the details of its terms of reference and personnel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) and (b). Comments on the terms of reference of the proposed Agricultural Commission have been received from several State Governments and they are at present under examination. A final decision on its terms and personnel is expected to be taken thereafter.

Post Offices to develop Savings Bank Facilities in Rural Areas

4252. SHRI GADILINGANA GOWD: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Post Offices located in the rural areas are not making earnest efforts to develop Savings Bank facilities;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Increase in Sugar Quota in Delhi

4253. SHRI D. N. PATODIA :
SHRI HEM RAJ :
SHRI BASUMATARI :

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

(a) whether Government have received suggestions for increasing the ration quota of sugar in Delhi;

(b) If so, whether the suggestion has been considered; and

(c) whether similar action will be taken in respect of other cities whether distribution of sugar comes under statutory rationing?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) Yes Sir, the Delhi Administration has suggested increase in monthly sugar quota of Delhi .

(b) This suggestion could not be agreed to on account of limited availability of levy sugar.

(c) Distribution of sugar in the cities out of quotas allotted to the States is arranged by the State Governments concerned. No increase in the quotas is possible till increased production of sugar becomes available.

पश्चिम बंगाल में मध्यावधि चुनाव

4254. श्री रामावतार शास्त्री : क्या बिधि मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि निर्वाचन आयोग ने पश्चिम बंगाल में मध्यावधि के चुनावों को पहिले नवम्बर, 1968 के महीने में करना निश्चित किया था;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि निर्वाचन आयोग ने अब उपरोक्त चुनावों को 9 फरवरी, 1969 को करने की घोषणा की है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या राज्य के कुछ भागों में बाढ़ के कारण चुनाव स्थगित किये हैं ;

(घ) यदि हां, तो उपरोक्त राज्य में कुल कितने निर्वाचन क्षेत्र हैं और उनमें से कितने क्षेत्र बाढ़ से प्रभावित हुए हैं ?