

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

(b) The matter is under consideration.

Kandla Fertilizer Project

2047. SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :
SHRI D. N. PATODIA :

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

(a) whether it is a fact that an Indian delegation visited U. S. A. recently to have talks with the U. S. authorities in connection with the setting up of Kandla Fertilizer Project ;

(b) if so, the nature of the talks held ; and

(c) the outcome thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY) : (a) and (b). A delegation consisting of the Additional Secretary to the Government of India in the Department of Cooperation and the Managing Director of Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd. visited the USA recently with a view to discussing and resolving certain problem and methods of implementation arising from the understandings reached earlier with (i) Cooperative Fertilisers International, a group of US cooperatives, who are to assist IFFCO in the establishment and operation of this project, and (ii) the Bank of America which has agreed to assist IFFCO in finding dollar loans to finance the foreign exchange component of this project under US Agency for International Development guarantees.

(c) As a result of these discussions, clearer understandings have been reached in regard to the responsibilities of Cooperative Fertiliser International in this project, and the informal understandings reached earlier with the Bank of America have also been formalised.

उत्तर प्रदेश के जिला बाँदा में खाद्यान्न का उत्पादन

2048. श्री जगेश्वर यादव : क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि उत्तर प्रदेश में बाँदा जिले में खाद्यान्न उत्पादन में वृद्धि करने के लिये जिन योजनाओं को चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना में चालू करने का विचार है उनकी रूपरेखा क्या है ?

खाद्य, कृषि, सामुदायिक विकास तथा सहकार मन्त्रालय में राज्य मन्त्री (श्री अन्नासाहिब शिंदे) : राज्य सरकार से जानकारी इकट्ठी की जा रही है और यथाशीघ्र सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायगी ।

Changes in the Telephone numbers of Members of Parliament

2049. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some telephone numbers in Delhi including those of some Members of Parliament have been changed ; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor, specially for the changes affecting in the M.Ps. telephone numbers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING, AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SHER SINGH) : (a) Yes.

(b) Delhi Telephone System is multi-exchange system and changes in numbers including those of Members of Parliament are some times necessitated on account of re-adjustment of area served by various exchanges. The change of numbers of the subscribers served by the Secretariat (level '3') Exchange was necessitated consequent on the conversion from 5 digits to 6 digits. This latter change has affected a large number of M. Ps. and could not have been avoided.