

employees of M/s. International Academy of Indian Culture, Hauz Khas, New Delhi are covered by the Employees Provident Fund Act ;

(b) whether Government are aware that the management have discharged about 40 employees for making the demands ; and

(c) if so, steps proposed to be taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD): (a) The management have made a representation against their coverage under the Act and the matter is still under consideration of Government in consultation with the provident fund authorities.

(b) and (c). The matter falls within the sphere of action of the Delhi Administration which has reported that no dispute has been received by it in this regard during recent years.

Subsidy on Sale of Transistors to Farmers

2972. SHRI N. K. SANGHI : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to subsidise the sale of medium wave transistor radios to the farmers ; and

(b) if so, whether any scheme has been finalised in this regard and what will be the approximate subsidy per radio ?

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

(b) A scheme in this connection is under consideration of the Government of India.

दिल्ली में ईदगाह स्थिति बूचड़खाने का स्थानान्तरण

2973. श्री ओंकार लाल बेरवा : क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या ईदगाह रोड दिल्ली स्थिति

बूचड़खाने को पीरागढ़ी स्थानान्तरिक करने के बारे में सरकार को कोई ज्ञापन प्राप्त हुआ है जिसमें इस कदम पर बड़ा असंतोष व्यक्त किया गया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार का उस पर क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है ?

खाद्य, कृषि, सामुदायिक विकास तथा सहकार मन्त्रालय में राज्य मन्त्री (श्री अन्नासाहिब शिन्डे) : (क) और (ख) दिल्ली प्रशासन तथा दिल्ली विकास अधिकरण से जानकारी इकट्ठी की जा रही है और प्राप्त होते ही सभापटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Withdrawal of Subsidies from Agricultural Inputs

2974. SHRI D. N. PATODIA :
SHRI YASHWANT SINGH
KUSHWAH :
SHRI SITARAM KESRI :
SHRI ONKAR LAL BERWA :
SHRI RAGHUVIR SINGH
SHASTRI :

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to withdraw all subsidies on agricultural inputs like fertilisers, pesticides, seeds and minor irrigation works ;

(b) whether the move is likely to retard the progress that has been made in the sphere of agriculture during the last few years ; and

(c) if not, in what way Government propose to improve the existing agricultural financing schemes to ensure that the progress in the field of agriculture is maintained ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) Yes, Sir, except for small farmers and other weaker sections of farming community and also for programmes in special areas like hill areas, scarcity areas and other backward areas.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The increased production resulting from the application of various inputs is