

खाद्य, कृषि, सामुदायिक विकास तथा सहकार मन्त्रालय में राज्य-मन्त्री (श्री अन्नासाहिब शिन्दे) : (क) जी नहीं। इस के विपरीत पिछले 3 सालों में संकर मक्का के अन्तर्गत क्षेत्र 2,00,000 हैक्टेयरों से बढ़कर 3,00,000 हैक्टेयर हो गया।

(ख) प्रश्न, नहीं होता।

(ग) पिछले दो सालों में मक्का के अन्तर्गत क्षेत्र तथा उसका उत्पादन नीचे दिया गया है। 1969-70 में मक्का के बारे में कोई पक्के अनुमान अभी नहीं दिये जा सकते हैं।

	1968-69	1967-68
क्षेत्र (हजार हैक्टेयरों में)	5,715.8	5,853.4
उत्पादन (हजार मीटरी टनों में)	5,701.1	6,269.3

#### Food Deficit in the Country

4515. SHRI BALRAJ MADHOK : Will the MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any estimate has been made of the total food deficit in the country in the year 1969;

(b) how it compares with the food deficit in the year 1968; and

(c) which of the States showed surplus and which showed deficit and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) to (c). The demand of foodgrains is elastic and is governed by a

number of factors like population, material prosperity of the people, their food habits, extent of urbanization, availability and prices of other substitute foods, etc. In the developing economy of India these are constantly changing. It is, therefore, difficult to assess the requirements and consequently the deficit of the country during any particular year.

Much more difficult is the assessment of surplus or deficit of individual States. A State may be surplus in one grain and deficit in another.

During a year of low production, people generally manage with a smaller quantity of foodgrains than that consumed during a year of good production.

During the year 1969, all-India production of foodgrains was slightly lower than that of 1968. Taking into account the annual increase in population therefore, the food deficit during 1969 may be considered to be slightly higher than that of 1968.

As regards individual States, taking all the food-grains together, Andhra Pradesh, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh have been able to make a net contribution to the Central pool during 1969. The others have been net drawers out of the Central pool.

#### Facilities to East Pakistan Refugees in Kalkaji Colony in New Delhi

4516. SHRI DEVEN SEN : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to offer economic rehabilitation to the dependents of the settlers by providing adequate number of shops and shop-sheds and opening Training-cum-pro-