

which was not affected by the 'go slow' tactics of the shore labour.

Procurement of Wheat in Punjab

1639. SHRI JAGESHWAR YADAV :
SHRI MRITYUNJAY
PRASAD :
SHRI ESWARA REDDY :
SHRI LATAFAT ALI KHAN :
SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR
SINGH :

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the quantity of wheat procurement in Punjab in 1967-68, 1968-69, and the current year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) :

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Quantity of wheat procured (In lakh tonnes)</i>
1967-68	5.70
1968-69	13.58
1969-70	18.73
1970-71 (upto 28-7-70)	21.57

Recommendation of Programme Evaluation Organization Regarding Budget and Staff Policy of Community Projects

1640. SHRI JAGESHWAR YADAV :
SHRI BHAGENDRA JHA :
SHRI K. M. MADHUKAR :
SHRI LATAFAT ALI KHAN :
SHRI JHARKHANDE RAI :

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

(a) the recommendation of the Programme Evaluation Organisation regarding the budget and staff policy of the community projects; and

(b) whether Government have accepted the recommendation ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE,

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI S. C. JAMIR) : (a) Presumably the reference is to the Report of the Programme Evaluation Organisation on 'Evaluation Study of Post-Stage II Community Development Blocks' published in January, 1970. The relevant findings and suggestions regarding budget and staff policy considered in this report are extracted in the Statement laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT—3874/70]

(b) The recommendation of the Programme Evaluation Organisation will have to be viewed in the context of the recommendations of the Conference of Chief Ministers and State Ministers held in June, 1968 viz. the Community Development and Panchayati Raj programmes should continue and be strengthened, Blocks in Stage I and stage II should continue to receive financial assistance they are entitled to and that Post Stage II Blocks should also get financial assistance, structural changes as may be considered necessary by the States be made at the State headquarters and changes in the organizational pattern of Blocks may be brought about, taking into account the actual programme potential and work-load from area to area, functionaries not having enough work in a given area may be redeployed and other suitable arrangements be made to ensure better coordination between the official and non-official agencies according to the conditions in the State. The Community Development programme is in the State sector in the Fourth Plan. Central assistance to States in the Fourth Plan for State Plan schemes is given in the shape of Block grants and Block loans, in pursuance of a decision of the National Development Council, and is not related to any schematic pattern as in the previous Plans. In the circumstances, it is for the State Governments to accept the recommendation made in the report of the Programme Evaluation Organisation; copies of the report have already been sent to the State Governments.

Miserable condition of East Pakistan Refugees in Tripura

1641. SHRI HIMATSINGKA :
SHRI KIRIT BIKRAM DEB
BURMAN :