

MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Deterioration in Quality of Milk Supplied by Delhi Milk Scheme and Steps Taken for its Improvement

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SHRI YAJNA DATT SHARMA :
SHRI RAGHUVIR SINGH SHASTRI :
SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH :
SHRI RAM CHARAN :
SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK :
SHRI N. K. SOMANI :
SHRI D. N. PATODIA :
SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA :
SHRI RAM AVTAR SHARMA :

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

(a) whether complaints have been received by the Government to the effect that the purity of the milk supplied by the Delhi Milk Scheme has deteriorated considerably;

(b) whether it is a fact that the health officials have been taking only formal samples of the milk after informing the D. M. S a day in advance and not the formal samples without Prior information;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to ensure the supply of good quality milk regularly ?

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

(b) On some occasions in the past Health officials collected samples of D.M.S. milk both under Prevention of Food Adulteration Act and informally. This

year, in April and June, 1970, Health officials took informal samples. On one occasion, information regarding collection of samples was given on the previous day but no intimation was given about the milk depots from which these samples would be drawn.

(c) and (d). Samples have been collected under a procedure suggested by Governing Body of Delhi Milk Scheme on the basis of recommendations of a committee formed by the Governing Body for this purpose. Delhi Milk Scheme has a well equipped Quality Control Laboratory under qualified experts and every care is being taken to ensure satisfactory control of quality of its products. As a Government-run-organisation, Delhi Milk Scheme has no interest in issue of sub-standard products. A procedure on the lines followed by the Bombay and Calcutta Milk Schemes was accordingly recommended by the Committee.

Losses by Food Corporation of India

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Food Corporation of India has been suffering colossal losses since it came into being;

(b) if so, the quantum of losses suffered by it during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether the losses are attributable to the negligence, inefficiency and incompetence of the top managerial personnel; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government to purge off the incompetent staff ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT