

has demanded an additional grant from the Central Government for co-operative activities of the weaker sections of society such as rickshaw-drivers, tongawallas and hand-cartmen ;

(b) if so, the extent of grant asked for ; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI JAGANNATH PAHADIA) : (a) and (b). The Delhi Administration has approached the Central Government for an additional allocation of Rs. 71,200/- for giving Rs. 70,000/- as loan and Rs. 1200/- as managerial subsidy to Tonga Drivers Cooperative Societies. No proposals have been received for additional allocations for rickshaw-drivers or hand-cartmen's societies.

(c) Government have accepted the proposal necessary funds have been released.

Amnesty for Renewal of Unlicensed Radio and Television sets During 1971

4150. SHRI RAMACHANDRA VEER-APPA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state whether Government propose to grant amnesty for unlicensed radio and Television sets for a period of 3 months to enable holders of unlicensed receiving sets to get them licensed without payment of fine or penalty and without producing authority of ownership during 1970 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SHER SINGH) : No. There is no such proposal under consideration at present.

Import of Four Tractors and Their Distribution

4151. SHRI SADHU RAM : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Ford Tractors which are being imported into this country are going to be distributed by the private parties ; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to stop black-marketing in the sale of these tractors ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) and (b). M/s Escorts Ltd. have an approved programme for manufacture of Ford Tractors. The S.T.C. through whom import of Ford Tractors is being arranged, have entered into an agreement with M/s Escorts Ltd. for entrusting the work of clearance, stocking, assembly, pre-sale and after sale services of the tractors to M/s Escorts Ltd. According to the contract the delivery of these tractors has to be made only to the nominees of the State Agro-Industries Corporations and the Ministry of Defence.

Sale of Polish Tractors Through Private Agency

4152. SHRI SADHU RAM : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Agro-Industries Corporations in different States are dealing with fully assembled imported tractors and if so, why fully assembled Polish tractors are proposed to be sold through Private Party ; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government to stop black-marketing in the sale of these tractors ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) The Agro-Industries Corporations are dealing with the import and distribution of fully assembled tractors in the country. However, in the interests of organised service and indigenisation in the case of import of such tractors as are being manufactured in the country, assembly from S.K.D. packs, pre-sale and after-sale services have been entrusted to local manufacturers of the same tractors. Polish tractors are being imported in S.K.D. and P.K.D. condition with deletions and services mentioned earlier have been entrusted to an indigenous manufacturer, namely M/s. Escorts. However, the delivery of these tractors is to be made