## STATEMENT CORRECTING REPLY TO USQ NO. 4902 DATED 5.9.1988 RE REQUIREMENT AND REPORT OF COCONUT OIL AND COPRA

[English]

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D.L. BAITHA): In reply to part (b) of the Unstarred Question No., 4902 dated 5.9.1988 by Shri K. Mohandas regarding the requirement and import of coconut oil and copra, the estimate production of coconut during 1986-87 and the target of production of coconut for the Seventh Five Year Plan were given as 6404.4 million MTs., and 8000 million MTs., respectively. The unit of both these production figures was inadvertantly given in 'MTs' in place of 'Nuts'. The correct reply to part (b) of the Question referred to above is as reproduced below:

"(b): As per the Latest available estimates the production of coconut during 1986-87 and 6404.4 million Nuts. No firm estimates of the requirement of coconut are available for 1988-89. However, the target of production of coconut for the Seventh Five Year Plan is 8000 million Nuts. In the absence of firm estimates regarding coconut production for 88-89, it is not possible to forecast the production of the bi-products of coconut, such as coconut oil and copra."

Inconvenience caused to the House is deeply regretted.

STATEMENT CLARIFYING THE REA-SONS FOR DELAY IN CORRECTING THE REPLY TO USQ NO. 4902 DATED 5.9.1985.

[English]

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MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUP-PLIES (SHRI D.L. BAITHA): The typographical error in the reply to part (b) of the capationed Lok Sabha Unstarred Question came to light on the evening of 5.9.1988 itself when copies of the reply had already been laid on the Table of the House. However, amendments could not be made at that stage. The Lok Sabha Secretariat was contacted on 5.9.1988, bringing out the error in the reply, who informed on 9.9.1988 that since copies of the reply in question had already been made public the correction would have to be done through a written statement as prescribed under Direction 16A of the Directions by the speaker. Lok Sabha Secretariat also indicated that formal request for the correction should be made during the next session i.e. the current session. Accordingly, I request the House to accept the statement incorporating amendments to the original reply in respect of part (b) of the question laid on the Table of the House today.

Inconvenience caused to the House is deeply regretted.

12.00 hrs.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

[English]

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, the United Nations Organisation and its Member States will be observing the 40th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations in 1948 on 10th December, 1988. As Lok Sabha will not be sitting on that day, it is befitting that we should recall this historic Declaration today. It may be recalled that references were made in Parliament on the occasion of 10th