the Table of the House. Statement

While replying to a supplementary question by Shri Mahadeepak Singh Shakya in connection with the Starred Ouestion No. 728 answered on the 16th April, 1973, it was stated that the B.C.G. Vaccination Programme was not just now a part of the National Programme.

This statement was subsequently checked and I want to clarify the position that the B.C.G. Vaccination Programme is no longer a separate scheme under the National Tuberculouis Control Programme, but an integral part of it.

It is regretted that the mistake was not noticed earlier.

12.48 hrs.

STATEMENT RE. GOVERNMENT DE-CISION TO REDUCE THE QUANTUM OF ALLOTMENT OF WHEAT TO U.P. AND OTHER STATES

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE); I beg to lay a statement on the Table of the House.

Statement

Allotments of foodgrains from the Central Pool are made to the State Goveraments every month taking into account the over all availability in the Central Pool and the needs of all deficit and drought affected States. In view of the difficult food supply position in the country resulting from last year's inadequate and erratic rains and consequent wide-spread drought conditions in the country it has not been possible to meet the entire destands of the State Governments. Every effort is, however, being made to meet substantially the requirements of the drought affected and deficit States.

On account of the short-fall in the promotions of wheat a decision was taken to replenish the stocks by importing foodgration. As it is necessary to keep a des-

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the next rabi crop, supplies to States have to be regulated taking into account the present stocks available in the Central Pool and the expected imports from abroad. Keeping in view the prospects of the current kharif crop a reduction in the allocation of wheat during September was made to U.P. and other States. Reduction of allotment in the case of U.P. should not cause undue hardship as U.P. is surplus in rice, wheat and coarse grains and due to recent wide-spread rains there has been allround improvement in khari! crop prospects in Uttar Pradesh.

12.18 hrs.

STATEMENT RE. ACUTE SHORTAGE OF FOODGRAINS IN KERALA

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE); I beg to bay a statement on the Table of the House.

Statement

Kerala is deficit in foodgrains and has to depend on supplies from the Centre. The monthly demand of Kerala for rice is 70 to 75 thousand tonnes. Till the end of 1972, there was no formal allotment of rice to Kerala. The State Government was permitted to draw its full requirements of rice for meeting the public distribution requirements from the local Food Corporation of India depots where Central stocks are held. Due to severe drought in the country during 1972-73 causing considerable damage to kharif crops, Centre has to step up supplies of foodgrains to the States and this has put considerable strain on the stocks in Central pool. The availability of rice in Central Pool was also affected due to short-fall in procurement of rice during the current kharif season. The availability of rice in the world market is also very how and prices are exhorbitant. It has not, disrefere, been possible to purchese may rice from abroad to replicat the stocks. The ellotments of rice had, therefore, to be curtailed in respect of all deficit Status including Kernia from May. [Shri Annasaheb P. Shinde]

1973. In order to make good the cut in the rice supplies, the wheat supplies wave substantially increased. The monthly allotment of wheat to Kertin from Junuary to April, 1973 was only 7600 touses and this was increased to 30 to 35 thousand tonnes front May onwards. Thus there was no overall reduction in the allotant of foodgrains to Kerala as a whole. The total supplies of foodgrains to Kerals during January to Johy, 1973 amounted to 542.9 thousand tonnes as against 497.7 thousand tonnes supplied during the corresponding period of last year.

Steps have been taken to ensure that adequate stocks are maintained with F.C.I. in Kerala

12.19 hrs.

STATEMENT BY MEMBER RE COM-PANIES PRODUCING SCOOTERS AND MOPEDS

श्री मम् जिन्मये (बांका) अध्यक्ष महोदय, मेरा बहुत छोटा सा बयान है, इस लिये पद्ध हूं हु । भारी उद्योग विभाग के उप-मंत्री प्रो॰ सिद्धेम्वर प्रसाद ने मेरे मतारांकित प्रका स० 2625 के जवाब में 9 झगन्त, 1973 को कहा कि मैखर्ज एस्कार्ट लि॰ को छोड कर स्कूटर तथा मोपेड बनाने वाली मधी कम्पनियों ने झपने उत्पादन की मुरूसाल विदेशी मह्योग्र से जी है । यह जिलकुम गलत है ।

मया मंती महीदेश इस बात को काट सबले है कि पूना की मैलवं कीनेटिक इंजीमियरिंग प्राह्वेट लि० ने किना विदेशी संदर्मींग के प्रयत्नी मोपेड की पैपाबाद प्रारम्भ की ? कोयम्बद्द की मोपेड इण्डिया लि० कम्पनी को विदेशी सहयोग का घुपना करार गौर तीन साल बढ़ाये की अधुनर्सं देंते का सरकार ने को कराक्यांगप निर्णेक किया, उर्स की पुष्टि में मंत्री बहीदेय ने यह गलत बसानी की । में मांग करता हूं कि यंती जी सही स्थिति सदन के सामने रखें ग्रीद गलत बयानी के लिये खेद प्रकट करें।

मारी छन्नोग जंत्रालय में उप-मंती (जी सिद्धेववर प्रहात) . भागनीय झाम्पत महोदय, इस बात का बाजव नहीं किया जाता है कि मैसर्स कीनेटिक इंजीमिपरिंग प्राइवेट लिमिटेड में बिना विदेशी सहयोग के मोपेडो का निर्माण करला प्रारम्य कर दिया हैं । लोक सभा में 9 घगस्त, 1973 को घटाराकित प्रम संख्या 2625 . के जाग (ग) के उत्तर मे मैसर्स कीनेटिक इजीनियरिंग प्राइवेट लिमिटेंड का नाम पूल से छूट क्या ही । सही उत्तर जिम्न-लिखित होना चाहिए ---

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इस त्रुटि के लिए खंद है।

उत्तर में यह कहा गया था कि मोपेडो का निर्माण करने वाली कम्पनियों में से एक कम्पनी विदेशी सहयोग कर रही है। यह कम्पनी मैक्षर्व मोधेड इडिया है।

इस मागले में कैंघ कारणो से रागस्टी की घटाई गई प्रदायनी पर तीन वयों की घग्रेतर प्रवधि के लिए सहयोग बढ़ाया बया है । वह एकक-निमोर्च कांस की एक पानें के सहयोग से कुछ सजम तक उत्पादन करता रहा हूँ, जिसमें विदेशी सहयोगकराँ की विशेव कम से केंद्रेट की हुई मकिमा का इस्तेमाल करवा निर्द्रित है । इसलिए सरकार के लिक करों की अल्पतम अलेकर सबकि के लिक उनके सहयोग कराइ की केंद्रों की, करीड़ के दी है इसकी काँ-यह है कि जीन