

(e) of my reply. I shall read it out for you if you so desire :

[English]

"The Government has taken a number of measures to increase exports such as Cash Compensatory Support, Import Replenishment to registered exporters, facility of duty drawback, assistance for market development, encouragement to exports in value added packs, periodic discussions with States for increasing the production of exportable agricultural products etc. For the promotion of exports of agricultural items and products, the institutional infrastructure has been strengthened....

"...with the setting up of the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APFDA). The Spices Act has also been passed recently during the current session of Parliament which will enable us to set up the Spices Board aiming at the development of exports of spices, particularly in value added form."

These are various measures which have been taken for the purpose of giving impetus to export of the agricultural commodities.

MR. SPEAKER : The Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWER TO QUESTIONS

[English]

Export of Engineering Goods

*285. SHRI B. AYYAPU REDDY : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the value of engineering goods exported in 1985 and the foreign exchange earned thereby; and

(b) the countries to which engineering goods from India are exported ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER) : (a) Export of engineering goods during April-December, 1985 is provisionally estimated at Rs. 775 crores.

(b) India is exporting engineering goods to more than 100 countries. Of these, major importing countries of Indian engineering goods are :

Bangladesh, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, UAE, U.K., U.S.A. and U.S.S.R.

Expansion of Retail Network through Super Bazars in Delhi

*286. SHRI RADHAKANTA DIGAL : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal to expand the retail network through Super Bazars in the Union Territory of Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of new branches of Super Bazars proposed to be opened in 1986-87; and

(c) the details of the retail network proposed to be expanded in the above financial year ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER) : (a) and (b). The Cooperative Store Limited, New Delhi, popularly known as Super Bazar, proposes to open 15 new branches during the year 1986-87.

(c) A statement is given below.

Statement

The Super Bazar propose to open 15 new branches at the following places in Delhi during the year 1986-87 :—

1. 'C' Block, Kalkaji.
2. Nehru Nagar Shopping Centre.
3. Garhi Village C-Block (East of Kailash).

4. Raghbir Nagar.
5. Tilak Vihar.
6. Basant Enclave SF Group.
7. Panchsheel near RBI colony.
8. Pitampura Pocket 'R'.
9. Mayur Vihar Pocket-II.
10. Bodella C.G.C. Housing Society.
11. Bodella (Vikaspuri) 'J' Block Pocket JG-II.
12. Swasthya Vihar.
13. Safdarjung Enclave.
14. Yamuna Vihar.
15. Punjabi Bagh Extension.

**Fall in Exports due to Exchange Rate
Policy**

*289. DR. K.G. ADIYODI : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the decline in exports is due to the existing exchange rate policy; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to overcome this deficiency ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Supply of Rice and Wheat to Orissa for
Public Distribution System**

*290. SHRI JAGANNATH PATTNAIK : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) the total yearly demand of Government of Orissa for rice and wheat separately, for their Public Distribution System; and

(b) the total allocation and actual supply of rice and wheat by Union Government to Government of Orissa during 1983, 1984 and 1985 and in January, 1986 ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER) : (a) and (b). A statement showing demand, allotment and offtake of rice and wheat for Public Distribution System in respect of Orissa during 1983, 1984, 1985 and in January, 1986 is given below.

Statement

Statement showing demand, allotment and offtake of rice and wheat from Central Pool for public distribution system in respect of Orissa during the year 1983, 1984 and 1985 and in January, 1986.

(In '000 tonnes)

Year	Demand		Allotment		Offtake	
	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat
1983	477.0	282.0	190.0	225.0	153.3	203.4
1984	228.0	278.0	75.0	221.0	42.9	146.1
1985	540.0	480.0	157.0	276.0	73.2	75.5
1986	5.0	30.0	20.0	23.0	1.9	2.7

(January)