

the actual average yield per hectare of the insured crops for the 'defined area' determined on the basis of the crop cutting experiments in the insured season, falls short of the guaranteed yield, all the insured farmers growing that crop in that area, would be deemed to have suffered short-fall in yield and would be compensated.

(c) The States/Union Territories which are implementing the scheme from Kharif 1985 are as under :—

STATES	UNION TERRITORIES
1. Assam	1. Arunachal Pradesh
2. Andhra Pradesh	2. Goa, Daman & Diu
3. Bihar	3. Pondicherry
4. Haryana	
5. Himachal Pradesh	
6. Gujarat	
7. Jammu & Kashmir	
8. Karnataka	
9. Kerala	
10. Madhya Pradesh	
11. Maharashtra	
12. Orissa	
13. Tamil Nadu	
13. Uttar Pradesh	
15. Tripura	
16. West Bengal	

[*Translation*]

Increase in Rate of Vanaspati Oil

*301. SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the rates of Vanaspati have been increased by P. 1 per Kg. recently;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and whether this increase is justified; and

(c) the difference between the rates of mustard oil and vanaspati oil at present ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) and (b) Consequent on an increase in the excise duty from 5% to 10% ad valorem from 17th March, 1985, the maximum retail prices of vanaspati had to be increased by around 70 paise per kg

(c) Mustard oil is presently available at about Rs. 13-14/- per kg. whereas vanaspati, when sold in loose, is priced at Rs. 17.20 per kg including local taxes in Delhi. However, it is actually being sold at a lower price.

[*English*]

Release of Foodgrains To States

*302. SHRI RAM BHAGAT PASWAN : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have released foodgrains to States ;

(b) whether Government will be releasing foodgrains to tribal areas with priority ; if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the names of the States which have been given foodgrains for the year 1985-86 ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) and (c) Yes, Sir ; allocat-