

Legislation on Water-Use

516. SHRI SURAJ BHAN:
SHRI RAM PRASAD AHIR-
WAR:

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring a legislation on the matter of water-use in the overall national interest to put the total water resources of the country to optimum use;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof and reasons of delay; and

(c) State-wise comments received in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) to (c). There is no immediate proposal to bring such a legislation.

Export of Rice by MARKFED

*517. SHRI B. D. SINGH:
SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large quantity of rice purchased by MARKFED for export was found to be sub-standard and that the countries who wished to purchase the rice have rejected it;

(b) if so, details thereof stating the quantity of the rice found to be sub-standard and the value involved; and

(c) whether Government have made any inquiry into the purchase of rice by MARKFED; if so, details thereof and the action taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM): (a) and (b). The matters relating to exports of Basmati rice are handled by the Ministry of Commerce. However, as per information obtained, a quantity of

about 1,720 MT Sela Basmati Rice costing Rs. 92.82 lacs procured by MARKFED for purpose of export through State Trading Corporation is reported to have not been accepted by the foreign buyer although stocks of rice had been certified by the Export Inspection Agency as export-worthy.

(c) No. Sir, as far as this Ministry is aware.

कपास का उत्पादन और खपत

5586. श्री मोतीभाई आर० चौधरी:
क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(ख) 1981-82 के दौरान कपास की कितनी मात्रा का उत्पादन किए जाने की सम्भावना है और देश में कपास की कितनी खपत है और गत वर्ष कपास का कितना भण्डार था; और

(ख) चालू वर्ष के दौरान कृषि मूल्य आयोग द्वारा कपास का समर्थन मूल्य कितना सुझाया गया और सरकार द्वारा क्या मूल्य निश्चित किया गया ?

कृषि तथा ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री आर० बी० स्वामी नाथन) : (क) वांछित जानकारी निम्न प्रकार है :--

(प्रत्येक 170
कि० ग्राम की
लाख गठें)

1. 1981-82 में कपास के 80 से सम्भावित उत्पादन का 82 प्रारम्भिक मूल्यांकन
2. सितम्बर/नवम्बर, 1981 के दौरान कपास की खपत 17.89
3. 1-9-1981 को गत वर्ष (1980-81) कपास मौसम से ले जाया गया स्टॉक। 16.35