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THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) and (b). Inchampalli multipurpose project is proposed to be taken up as a joint venture by the States of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh. The Government of Andhra Pradesh submitted a preliminary report of the project in May, 1980. For preparation of the detailed project report, necessary detailed surveys, investigation and studies have been taken up by the States of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh. The Centre is not aware of any specific surveys or studies completed so far by the concerned State Governments, since the report of the joint project is not yet furnished by any of the States.

(c) and (d). Irrigation is a State subject and irrigation projects are taken up for execution by the State Governments. The project has not been included in the Sixth Plan of the concerned States.

Decline in Milk Powder Production

*278. SHRI MOTIBHAI R. CHAU-DHARI : SHRIMATI PRAMILA DAN-DAVATE :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to lay a statement showing:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India's own milk powder production has been declining since the implementation of Operation Flood;
- (b) if so, what was the production in 1970 and what was the production at the end of October, 1983;
- (c) what was the import of milk powder in 1962-63, 1972-73 and 1982-83; and
- (d) what percentage of imported milk powder accounted for the total milk production before and after 1970 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI

YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b). No, Sir. The indigenous production of milk powder has increased from about 6700 metric tonnes in 1970 to about 35000 metric tonnes in 1982.

(c) The import of skim milk powder during 1962-63, 1972-73 and 1982-83 is as under:

Year	Quantity in tonnes
1962-63	42,060.00
1972-73	39,587.56
1982-83	37,572.528*

- *(Quantity imported by the Indian Dairy Corporation under Operation Flood II)
- (d). The percentage of imported skim milk powder to the total milk production during 1969-70 and 1979-80 was 0.90% and 0.80% respectively. The average total solids of milk has been assumed at 13.5% while that of skim milk powder 96%.

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*279. श्री भीम सिंह : श्री मनोहर लाल सैनी :

क्या **खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्री** यह बताने की कुपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या सरकार ने खुले बाजार में बिक्री हेतु चीनी के मूल्य की घोषणा की थी;
- (ख) यदि हां, तो वह मूल्य क्या है और क्या चीनी उस मूल्य पर बाजार में बेची गई; और
- (ग) यदि नहीं, तो इस संबंध में सरकार की प्रतिक्रिया क्या है ?

खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री भागवत भा आजाद): जी, नहीं।