

**WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS
Fall in Recovery of Sugar**

*188. SHRI M.R. LAKSHMINARAYANAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the average recovery of sugar has come down in the past decade since the price of sugarcane was linked to recovery ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what action the Government propose to check this ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN) : (a) to (c) Since 1962-63 when the sugarcane price was linked to recovery, the annual all-India weighted average figures of recovery have fluctuated from year to year within limits, depending upon various factors, such as climatic conditions, incidence of pests and diseases, duration of the season, varieties of cane grown by the growers, etc. No pattern of steady fall in recovery is discernible which can be attributed to the decision to link sugarcane prices to recovery.

Control over Price of Refined oil and Vegetable Butter

*191. SHRI VEKARIA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state: (a) whether in view of the fact that Government have control over the price of Vanaspati, Government propose to control the price of refined oil and vegetable butter also ; and

(b) if so, when ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN): (a) and (b). No such proposal is presently under Government's consideration.

Resignations of Vice-Chancellors of Universities

*192. SHRI YAMUNA PRASAD MANDAL : Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) how many Vice-Chancellors of the Central Universities have resigned during 1973 and 1974 ; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASAN): (a) and (b). No Vice-Chancellor of a Central University resigned during 1973. The Vice-Chancellors of Aligarh Muslim University and Delhi University resigned during 1974, the former for taking up another post and the latter for returning to full time teaching.

Losses due to floods in States

*193 SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA :
SHRI ISHWAR CHAUDHRY :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state :

(a) the State-wise losses suffered this year due to floods ;

(b) the schemes implemented for controlling floods and the expenditure incurred thereon ; and

(c) the areas for which the Central Government have provided assistance for immediate relief work and the amount of assistance provided in each case ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in library. See No. LT-8561/174.]