

TURE (SHRI ANNASAHIB P. SHINDE) :
 (a) Dr. Arthur Mosher delivered the Third Lal Bahadur Memorial Lecture at the I.A.R.I., New Delhi on "Modernisation of Agriculture". He stressed the need to organize and plan comprehensively to create a modern agriculture which can contribute to rapid growth.

(b) The suggestions made by Dr. Mosher have been taken note of. In fact, many of the elements stressed by him already form part of our agriculture development plan.

(c) The other suggestions made by him are :—

- (i) To plan 'Area' rather than 'Crop' approach ;
- (ii) to ensure high quality agricultural research ;
- (iii) to streamline supply of farm inputs ;
- (iv) to give proper attention to farmers, incentives and agricultural prices ;
- (v) to develop agricultural land through irrigation etc.;
- (vi) to make arrangements for educating and training agricultural manpower ; and
- (vii) to initiate agricultural development potential of an area.

Defects in RS-09 Tractors

***89. SHRI K. SURYANARAYANA :** Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received several representations complaining that tractors of G. D. R. model RS-09 purchased by the farmers through the Agro-Industries Corporations of various States have been found defective mechanically, or otherwise, and several farmers have returned the said tractors to Agro-Industries Corporations of various States ;

(b) if so, the names of the State Govern-

ments associations and individual farmers ; and

(c) the particulars of the complaints made by them and the action taken by Government, if any ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHIB P. SHINDE) :
 (a) to (c). The complaints generally reported related to electrical system including master switch, screw elastic cap of glow plug tester, starting system, the engine, the clutch, leakage of oil from pressure pipe, etc. Steps were taken to have the tractors modified by the G. D. R. Suppliers. The farmers and their associations have also complained about the return of these tractors. The return of modified tractors has since been agreed to and is in process.

The return of these tractors will be through the State Agro-Industries Corporations and information about the names of individual farmers is being collected from them. The required information will be laid on the Table of the Sabha when it is received.

Expansion of A. I. R. and T. V. Stations

***90. SHRI RADHAKRISHNAN :** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the All India Radio Stations are fully equipped for a full time operation throughout the year ; as also for the expansion and building up of a net work of T. V. Stations all over the country ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) and (b). All India Radio Stations are fully equipped for full time operation throughout the year.

As regards expansion of T. V., All India Radio have undertaken setting up of T. V. Stations at Bombay-Poona, Srinagar, Madras, Calcutta and Lucknow-Kanpur during the Fourth Plan period. Further

expansion of the TV network in the country will be taken up in subsequent phases according to availability of resources.

Setting up of New Hindi Advisory Committee

109. SHRI SHASHI BHUSHAN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 636 on the 12th November, 1970 regarding the setting up of a new Hindi Advisory Committee and state :

(a) whether a decision has since been taken in the matter in consultation with the Ministry of Home Affairs ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) and (b). The Hindi Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting viz. 'Soochana Aur Prasaran Hindi Samiti' had been reconstituted *vide* Ministry of Information and Broadcasting's Resolution No F 12(6)/67—Admn I dated 7th December, 1970. But, since the 4th Lok Sabha was dissolved soon after, it has become necessary to take steps to nominate representatives of the newly constituted Lok Sabha on the Samiti.

Production of Sugar, Gur and Khand-sari and Realisation of Excise Duty

110. SHRI S. L. SAKSENA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total production of crystal sugar, Khand-sari sugar and gur in the country, Statewise, during each of the last three years along with the average selling price in that year ; and

(b) the total amount of excise duty realised in each year, statewise, on crystal sugar and khand-sari sugar during each of the last three years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND AGRICUL-

TURE (SHRI ANNASAHIB P. SHIDE)

(a) The following statements are attached giving the available information in respect of the last three years 1967-68, 1968-69 and 1969-70 :

(1) Statement I [Laid on the Table of the House. *Placed in Library.* See No. LT—93/71] showing the Statewise production of sugar in the country ;

(2) Statement II [Laid on the Table of the House *Placed in Library.* See No. LT-93/71] showing the Statewise estimated production of gur (including Khansari) in the country ;

(3) Statement III [Laid on the Table of House *Placed in Library* See No. LT 93/71] showing the average open market/control prices of sugar in certain important market ;

(4) Statement IV [Laid on the Table of the House *Placed in Library* See No. LT-93/71] showing average wholesale market prices of gur in certain important markets ; and

(5) Statement V [Laid on the Table of the House *Placed in Library.* See² No. LT—93/71] showing average wholesale market prices important markets.

(b) Statement VI [Laid on the Table of the House *Placed in Library.* See No. LT—93/71] showing the Statewise Central Excise Revenue realised from Sugar and Khand-sari during the last three years 1967-68, 1968-69 and 1969-70.

Financial Assistance to Gujarat for Sinking of Tube-Wells

111. SHRI SOMCHAND SOLANKI : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of tube-wells dug during 1970 in the drought affected areas of Gujarat ;

(b) the proposal of Government to dig more tube-wells to increase the production of food-grains ; and