

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). According to Delhi Administration who are responsible for execution of this bridge project, the cost of construction, which has escalated due to various reasons, is now likely to be Rs. 42 crores as against originally sanctioned cost of Rs. 37.28 crores.

[*English*]

Marketing Cost of Agricultural Produce

1324. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to include the marketing cost of the farmers in the proforma of cost of production of agricultural produce;

(b) whether the Government have studied the marketing cost of agricultural produce; and

(c) if so, the marketing cost of major agricultural produce?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JAYANTILAL VIRCHANDBHAI SHAH): (a) No, Sir. Marketing costs form part of distribution costs and not of cost of production.

(b) and (c). The Government have been studying cost of marketing of different agricultural commodities from time to time. However, marketing cost of agricultural commodities vary from place to place, season to season depending upon chain of marketing and mode of disposal.

Cost of Production of Urea

1325. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the cost of production of urea in each Public Sector Fertilizer Company during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRIRAMBAHADUR SINGH): The cost of production of urea in each of the Public Sector Undertakings (unit-wise) under the administrative control of the Department of Fertilizers, for the last three years as furnished by them, is given as under:—