

Shri S. M. Banerjee: He has said that.

Mr. Speaker: That means you can go over the whole of India now?

Shri S. K. Sambandhan: ...that private dealers have been allotted directly from the Central quota by the Central Government, and, if so, the reasons for such allotment?

Shri Annasahib Shinde: I had, while replying to some other question, already explained the position. Very small quantities are allotted directly to some bulk consumers who produce goods in a particular part of the country and sell their products all over the country. Hardly five to seven thousand tonnes a month are distributed to bulk consumers including defence, border security forces etc.

Shri Himatsingka: What is the Government proposing to do to increase production so that no control will be necessary.

Shri Annasahib Shine: I seek your protection, whether this question arises.

Mr. Speaker: It does not, but since you seem to mention some other thing, they think they can roam over the whole of India.

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WRITTEN ANSWERS TO
QUESTIONS

Import of Fertilisers

**1651. Shri R. Barua:
Shri D. N. Patodia:**

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the variety and quantity of each type of fertilisers imported during the last three years; and

(b) the landed cost price for the imported fertilisers separately, for each quality?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) and (b). A statement is placed on the table of the Sabha. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1359|67].

Air-India Fleet

***1652. Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha:
Shri S. K. Tapuriah:
Shri K. P. Singh Deo:
Shri N. K. Somani:
Shri Yashpal Singh:**

Will the Minister of Tourism and Civil Aviation be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air-India propose to buy new planes to replenish its fleet; and

(b) if so, the type and number of planes to be bought?

The Minister of Tourism and Civil Aviation (Dr. Karan Singh): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. One Boeing-707-320C is already on order. Negotiations are in progress for the purchase of two Boeing-747 (Jumbo Jets).

Cut in rice supply to States

***1653. Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri K. P. Singh Deo:
Shri D. N. Deb:
Shri M. C. Majhi:**

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether a cut of nearly 20 per cent in the supply of rice to the States by the Centre is proposed to be made;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the reaction of the State Governments thereto?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) and (b). There has been no percentage cut in any fixed quota as presumed in the question. Supplies of rice from month to month are made on the basis of the