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Food Situation

- *34. Shri D. C. Sharma:
 Shri Shri Shand Goel:
 Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta:
 Shri Nath Pal:
 Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:
 Shri C. C. Desai:
 Shri S. Supakar:
 Shri M. Sudarsanam:
 Shri Ram Kishen Gupta:

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

(a) Government's assessment of the food situation in the country at present; and

(b) the details of the measures taken or planned to meet the food situation and maintain supplies of minimum foodgrains to all the people throughout the country?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) The food situation in the country continues to be difficult. A detailed statement on the subject is being laid on the Table of the House separately.

(b) The new Government will have a fresh look on the problem and any further measures that may be found necessary will be planned after discussion at the Chief Ministers' Conference to be held early next month.

मतदाताओं की सही पहचान

- * 35. श्री विभूति मिश्र :
 श्री क. नर० तिवारी :

क्या बिधि मंत्र यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का विचार कोई ऐसी प्रक्रिया निर्धारित करने का है जिससे

वाम चुनाव के समय मतदाता की सही पहचान हो सके और यह सुनिश्चित किया जा सके कि मत देने वाला व्यक्ति वही है जिसका नाम मतदाता सूची में है ; और

(ख) यदि हा, तो इसके लिए कौन सा निर्दोष तरीका निकालने का विचार है ।

विधि मंत्री (श्री श्रीकिशोर मेनन) :

(क) निर्वाचकों के प्रतिरूपण का निवारण करने के बारे में जो उपबन्ध हमारी निर्वाचन विधि में पहले ही अन्तर्विष्ट है, उनके अर्धीन उपलब्ध प्रक्रिया के प्रतिरिक्त, साधारण निर्वाचनों में मतदाताओं की अनन्यता सुनिश्चित करने के लिए कोई प्रक्रिया बनाने की कोई प्रस्थापना सरकार के ममक्ष नहीं है ।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता ।

Cost of Imported Foodgrains

*36. Dr. Karni Singh: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state

(a) whether the cost of imported foodgrains has gone up as a result of devaluation,

(b) the difference between pre-devaluation and post-devaluation prices per ton of imported wheat, and

(c) how it is reflected in the common man's food budget?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) and (c) The difference between pre-devaluation and post-devaluation cost of imported wheat is about Rs. 209 per metric ton. The issue price of imported wheat was not increased immediately after devaluation. The price was, however, raised slightly from Rs. 50 '00 Rs. 55 per quintal with effect from the 15th November, 1966.