

Palm-Oil to Kerala

3255. PROF. SAVITHRI LAKSHMANAN:
SHRI T. BASHEER:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government propose to increase the monthly allotment of palm oil and other edible oils for public distribution in Kerala; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the present allotment is sufficient for supply in the state; and

(c) if not, the steps taken to increase the allotment?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA):

(a) The allocation of palmolein under PDS to Kerala has been increased from 2,500 MTs in February, 1990 to 3,000 Mts in March, 1990.

(b) and (c). The monthly allocation of edible oils under Public Distribution System is made keeping in view the overall availability of indigenous oils. Supplies through PDS are supplemental in nature and are not intended to meet the total requirement of States/UTs.

Mass Rapid transit System in Bangalore

3256. SHRI H.C. KANTAIHAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rapid transit System (Circular railway project) for Bangalore city is yet to be cleared by Union Government; and

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b). The Metropolitan Transport Project (Railways), Madras, had carried out a feasibility study for Rail Rapid Transit System and Suburban Services for Bangalore Metropolitan Area, at the cost of the State Government of Karnataka. The Study report furnished to the State Government in July, 1983, envisaging a total investment of about Rs. 650.70 crores, estimated at 1982-83 price level, was submitted by the State Government to the Planning Commission for inclusion of the scheme in the Seventh Plan. Since the Seventh Plan provision for all Metropolitan Transport Projects in the Railway's plan was limited to Rs. 400 crores, it was not possible to take up such new schemes. No revised proposal have been received from the State Government.

Modernisation of Kamla Canals

3257. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to refer to the reply given on 14th March, 1990 to Unstarred Question No. 247 regarding renovation of Kamla Balan Embankment at Jayanagar in Bihar and state:

(a) whether in view of the construction of the barrage-cum-canal upstream at Godar in Nepal, the Eastern and Western Kamla canals are water-less during the lean months thereby rendering its modernisation project at Jayanagar incomplete; and

(b) the present stage of this modernisation project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) There is no irrigation project under modernisation at Jayanagar.

(b) Does not arise.