

1962 to increase tea output by 40 million lbs. a year provided Government allowed the import of equipment necessary for artificial irrigation in plantations; and

(b) if so, what is Government's decision on this demand of the tea industry?

**The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). Representatives of the Indian Chambers of Commerce met the Minister of International Trade at Calcutta. This matter also came up at the meeting of the Board of Trade at Calcutta on the 6th July, 1962. The Tea Planters were of the view that if the Government extends loan and foreign exchange assistance on the supply of artificial irrigation equipment through the hire-purchase scheme of the Tea Board, they can definitely increase the production of tea. Government have approved this and authorised the Tea Board to include the supply of artificial irrigation equipment including pipes and fittings etc. in hire-purchase scheme of the Tea Board. The question of raising rupee provision and the foreign exchange allotment to the Tea Board on this account has been taken up with the Ministries concerned.

#### **Export of Fruits and Vegetables etc.**

**35. Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether a special "cash subsidy" scheme has been drawn up by Government to give a fillip to the export of fruits and vegetable products, biscuits and confectionery; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). Government have sanctioned a grant of Rs. 1 lakh initially to the Development Council for Food Processing Industries to promote the marketing of Food products, biscuits and confectionery.

#### **Export of Machine Embroideries**

**36. Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is sufficient scope for the expansion of exports of machine embroideries; and

(b) if so, the steps that are being taken to exploit fully the export markets in respect of this item?

**The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). The demand for embroidered cloth does exist in the international market, but the scope for India to meet this demand is restricted due to the high prices of Indian embroidered cloth. The question of how to make our embroidered cloth competitive is under consideration.

#### **All India Manufacturers Organisation**

**37. Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether a plenary session of the All India Manufacturers Organisation was held in Bombay in the fourth week of June, 1962;

(b) if so, the main observations and recommendations made at the session; and

(c) the action that is being taken by Government to implement the recommendations?

**The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo):** (a) Presumably the reference is to the 22nd Annual Conference of the All India Manufacturers Organisation held in Bombay on the 23rd and 24th June, 1962.

(b) The main observations/recommendations of the Conference are embodied in the Resolutions adopted at the Conference on the following subjects:

- (i) **European Economic Community and its effect on Indian Industries.**
- (ii) **Pre-requisites for successful implementation of the Industrial Targets of the Third Five Year Plan.**
- (iii) **Productivity and Rational approach.**
- (c) **The contents of the Resolutions have been noted.**

**Indian Jute Mills Association**

**38. Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state:

(a) whether representatives of the Indian Jute Mills Association called on him in the fourth week of June; and

(b) if so, what demands were made by them and what assurances were given to the IJMA?

**The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):**

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Chemical and Allied Products Export - Promotion Council**

**39. Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state:

(a) whether representatives of Chemical and Allied Products Export Promotion Council met him in the fourth week of June, 1962; and

(b) if so, what demands were made by them and what assurances were given?

**The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):**

(a) The representatives of the Chemicals and Allied Products Export Promotion Council met the Minister for International Trade on the 24th June, 1962.

(b) Various suggestions regarding simplification and liberalisation of the Special Export Promotion Scheme for Chemicals and Allied Products were made. Some of the suggestions have been implemented: the scheme for enrolment of exporters has been abolished, exporters once registered are no longer required to renew their registration annually. The procedure for grant of incentive licences has been simplified and speeded up. Certain other suggestions which were made are still under consideration.

**Shark Liver Oil Factory in Mysore State**

40. { **Shri Warrior:**  
       { **Shri Vasudevan Nair:**

Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state:

(a) whether a new shark liver oil factory is to be set up in Mysore State in the public sector;

(b) the total requirement of this oil per annum; and

(c) the output at present?

**The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo):** (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

**Streptomycin Plant at Hindustan Antibiotics**

41. { **Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:**  
       { **Shri Bhakt Darshan:**

Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Streptomycin Plant of the Hindustan Antibiotics has started marketing its products; and

(b) if so, the estimated quantity to be put in the market?

**The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.