October was unremunerative. The hon. Member may understand that the pattern introduced from 1st October was that there will be a direct flight between the two principal cities. Here the combined load of the principal cities is taken from one centre to Nagpur and then they are distributed. There is a big difference.

Joint Farming

*755. Shri Sham Lal Saraf: Will the Minister of Community Development and Co-operation be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as an experimental measure, Joint Farming has been introduced in all the States in the country; and
- (b) whether the farmers in all such States, where a start has been given to this Scheme, have shown their liking for it?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Shyam Dhar Misra):
(a) Yes Sir. Pilot projects have been started in all the states to demonstrate the advantages of co-operative joint farming to farmers. In the Third Plan, 320 pilot projects are to be launched at the rate of one per district. So far, 137 projects have been started, wherein 657 co-operative farming societies have been organised.

(b) Although no evaluation of the programme or opinion poll of the farmers has been carried out so far, a study of the pilot and non-pilot societies has brought out that these co-operative farming societies assisted the small farmers and marginal farmers in increasing agricultural production and have proved successful among them.

Shri Sham Lal Saraf: May I know what steps have been taken in conjunction with the Ministry of Agriculture so a: to induce the farmers by giving them incentives to take to joint farming?

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: Besides education programme, we have tried to give incentives in the form of share capital, working loans and subsidies to the societies

Shri Sham Lal Saraf: About these joint farms that have been run till now, may I know how they are working as compared to other farms that are prevalent in those very areas where these joint farms have been started?

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: So far, only about 1400 farming societies have been started during the Third Plan. The limited study that has been made on behalf of the Government has revealed that there is better production and there is a good impact on employment.

श्री सर्ज पांडेय : क्या माननीय मंत्री जी को मालूम है कि उत्तर प्रदेश में जो ज्वाइंट फार्म स्थापित किये गये थे उनमें से बहुत सारेटूट गये। यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार उनको फिर से बनाने का विचार कर रही है ?

श्री क्यामधर मिश्र : सरकार को मालूम है। उत्तर प्रदेश में ही नहीं पूरे देश में पहली श्रीर दूसरी योजना में जो ढाई हजार सोसाइ-टीज थीं उनमें से कई खराव थीं। जो खराब थीं उनको वीड श्राउट करके ग्रब १४०० की लिस्ट बना ली गयी है। उसमें उत्तर प्रदेश भी शामिल है, श्रीर इन सोसाइटीज को योजना के श्रनुसार मदद दी जा रही है।

Shri Kapur Singh: May I know whether the Government have taken any serious notice of the latest trends in modern economic thought that agricultural production is peculiarly unamenable to socialistic techniques?

Mr. Speaker: Shri Venkatasubbaiah.

Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah: In view of the fact that consolidation of land holdings is a pre-requisite for joint farming, may I know whether any steps have been taken for consolidation of holdings?

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: The States have been requested to have consolidation of holdings on a preferential pasis. But, it is not necessary that there should be first consolidation and then only co-operative farming.

Shri Kapur Singh: May I request a reply to my question. It is a very important question from my point of view.

Mr. Speaker: He has given information which they must consider and ake into account.

Shri Kapur Singh: I want to know whether they have taken any notice of it

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: I want the hon. Member to repeat his question

Shri Kapur Singh: May I know whether the Government have taken any serious notice of the latest trend in scientific economic thought that agricultural production is peculiarly un-amenable to socialistic techniques?

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: Government has taken quite serious notice that such type of agricultural production does lead to socialistic thought.

श्री शिष नारायण : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि सरकार ने जो १४०० फार्म खोले हैं उनमें किसी को ट्रेक्टर सप्लार्ड किया है ?

श्री क्यामधर मिश्रः जी हां, महाराष्ट्र की कुछ सोसाइटीज में ट्रेक्टर सप्लाई किया गया है ।

Shri P. R. Patel: I want to know the investment done by the Central Government and the State Governments towards subsidy and loan and share capital for this joint farming. I want to know whether production in joint farming is more than in that size of farming done by individuals.

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: In the main answer I said that no systematic

study has been so far made. But, a limited study has revealed that there is greater production. As a matter of fact, we have ourselves gone, officers have gone, Members of Parliament in 8 teams went to four States, Mahatashtra, Punjab, U.P. and Mysore and they also reported that in some of the States, production was as high as between 25 to 50 per cent.

Shri P. R. Patel: My question was absolutely different.

Mr. Speaker: He has also put two questions and therefore that became difficult.

Dr. P. S. Deshmukh: May I know whether the Government, in starting this project have evolved any pattern of assistance in the shape of loans or other things which the hon. Minister can mention so as to attract farmers to join joint farming?

Shri Shyam Dhar Misra: There is a pattern of assistance in the form of share capital which goes to about Rs. 2,000, working capital which goes upto Rs. 4,000, godown loans which go to Rs. 5,000 and there is a subsidy of about Rs. 1,200.

Export of Sugar

*756. Shri Yashpal Singh: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of sugar which will be exported through (i) State Trading Corporation and (ii) Indian Sugar Mills Association out of the quantity which has been earmarked for export during 1963; and

(b) how much of the above quantity \mathbf{i}_{s} on barter basis and the items to be imported through barter?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Shinde): (a) Sales of 37 lakh metric tons of sugar have been negotiated by the State Trading Corporation and of 63,000 metric tons by Indian Sugar Mills Association.