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agreed to by the parties concerned. So far as the figures for Madras and Travancore-Cochin are concerned, they are like this:

Rs. Crores

Original Plan for Travancore - Cochin	
	71.95
Deduct provision on account of trans- fer of territories to Madras	3.90
Add provision for the Malabar Dist- rict for divisible schemes	16.95
Ad hac additional allocation for in- divisible schemes	2'00
Net result	87'00

Shri A. M. Thomas: This amount of Rs. 71.95 crores is after deducting 5 per cent. Based on the population for the Malabar District Kerala was entitled to get much more. May I enquire why such a low amount has been fixed?

(Shri Nanda: This is on the basis of an ad hoc settlement reached between the parties; it is a matter of agreement.

Shri Punnoose: The papers report that Ministers from Kerala are here to discuss these matters with the Centre. May I know whether any understanding has been arrived at with regard to the enhancement of the allocation or re-distribution of allocations under various heads?

Shri Nanda: The Chief Minister of Kerala is meeting me just after the Question Hour. He has met other Ministers and members of the Planning Commission. I cannot say anything on the subject, the Finance Minister is here and if there is anything he will be able to let the House know.

The Minister of Finance (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): Sir, I cannot say that any off-hand decision can be arrived at in a matter like this. The allocation as it stands at present for Kerala fits into the entire scheme of allocation under the Plan and, naturally, if any change is to be made: (a) we must find resources and (b) the allocation must be done again by the Planning Commission on the basis of certain ascertained criteria. Naturally, the matter can be raised again. I think the Kerala Government representatives will be back here again sometime in June and the matter might be discussed by them with the Planning Commission. What are the criteria that they would bring before the Planning Commission and what view the Planning Commission will take is a matter about which I can say nothing. All that I can say is, that I find it extremely difficult to find additional resources. I should be very grateful if hon. Members of this House will show me the direction in which I can find the resources; then it will be possible for me to tell the Planning Commission that they can extend the Plan, and it will be for the Planning Commission to allocate the additional resources in the direction which they think fit.

Shri Narayanankutty Menon: In view of the larger percentage of educated unemployment in the State of Kerala, may I know whether the Government will be prepared to reconsider the allocation that has already been made?

Mr. Speaker: The hon. Member can brief his Minister and ask him to take up these matters.

Paper and Cement Factory in Nepal

*120. Pandit D. N. Tiwary: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a team of Indian experts from India went to Nepal for examining the possibility of establishing paper and cement factories in Nepal; and

(b) whether these factories will be Nepal State owned factories or there has been any understanding to invite Indian capital for them?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menan): (a) Yes. At the request of the Goyernment of Nepal, two teams of Indian

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experts were sent from India, one to examine possibilities of establishing a factory for paper and another for a cement factory. These teams went there in April. Their reports are being prepared now and will be submitted for consideration soon.

(b) This is a matter for the Government of Nepal to decide, but it was understood that the factories will be owned by the Government of Nepal.

Pandit D. N. Tiwari: May I know whether anything has been settled about the location of the factory, and whether cement and paper will be allowed to come to India and the bordering places?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: It is only an exploratory team that went to Nepal to find out what prospects there are for establishing this factory. It is too early to know whether there has been any other settlement on the question.

Shri Kasliwal: I believe the hon. Deputy Minister is aware that India is giving Nepal loan assistance to the tune of about Rs. 10 crores. May I know whether some amount out of this Rs. 10 crores will go towards these two factories?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: I have no information on the subject.

Shri Bhattacharya: May I know whether the production of newsprint will be included in this scheme of production of paper in Nepal?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: I do not know about that also. Only paper and cement are proposed.

Sudan Trade Mission

*123. Shri Bibhuti Mishra: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Sudan Trade Mission have visited India to explore possibilities of developing the Indo-Sudanese trade;

(b) if so, the names of places visited by them; and

(c) how far the Indo-Sudanese trade has been strengthened by their visit?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Kanungo): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The delegation visited Bombay, Poona, Delhi, Faridabad, Agra, Aligarh, Calcutta, Chittaranjan, Madras and Bangalore.

(c) It is yet too early to assess the result of the visit.

श्रो विभूति मिश्र : मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या इस मिशन ने इंडिया गवर्नमेंट को ग्रपनी कोई रिपोर्ट दी है ।

श्रो कानूनगो : यह तो सूडान गवर्नमेंट व्यापार मंडल था, इंडिया गवर्नमेंट को रिपोर्ट देने की इस में कोई बात नहीं है ।

श्वो विभूति मिश्र : मैं जानना चाहता हूं चूंकि यह मिशन हिन्दुस्तान और सूडान के व्यापारिक सम्बन्ध बढ़ाने के लिये आया था, इसलिये उसने क्या क्या चीजें लेना पसन्द किया और उस के एवज में हिन्दु-स्तान को सरकार क्या क्या लेना चाहती है, इस सम्बधं में कोइ परामर्श हुग्रा है ?

श्वो कानूनगो : उस ने हिन्दुस्तान की सरकार से बातचीत की । उस में किसी पक्के सौदे का सवाल नहीं था और न सौदा हुआ ही ।

Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: In view of the acute shortage of raw cotton in the country, may I know whether the Government discussed any plan for the additional import of cotton from Sudan with this delegation and if so, with what result?

Shri Kanungo: We have been importing cotton from Sudan for quite a long time. We certainly discussed the cotton import position. But speaking about the overall position, I must say that we have to economise on imports of cotton from all sources including Sudan.

Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: Does Government know that the Government officials themselves have made

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