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(ग) गन्ना उत्पादकों को कोई नुकतान नहीं उठाना पड़ेगा क्योंकि सारा उपलब्ध गन्ना या तो बीज या गुड़ तथा खंडमारी बनाने में प्रयुक्त किया जायेगा ।

Sugar requirement of the Country

86. Shri Ramachandra Ulaka: Shri Dhuleshwar Meena: Shri K. Pradhani: Shri Hirji Bhai: Shri Yogendra Jha:

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

- (a) the estimated requirement of sugar for domestic consumption during the current year and the extent to which the domestic requirements will be met; and
- (b) the target of sugar export during the current year and the foreign exchange earning accruing as a result thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) The requirement of sugar for domestic consumption during the current year has not been worked out. 2.52 lakh tonnes of sugar per month was released during the period November, 1966 to February 1967. On account of fall in production this year, this quantity has been reduced to 1.87 lakh tonnes per month from March-April release.

(b) 2:2 lakh tonnes of sugar has been sold for export during 1967. Foreign exchange earning will depend on the level of international price of sugar during the year.

Haldia Port

87. Shri Dhuleshwar Meena: Shri Ramachandra Ulaka: Shri K. Pradhani: Shri Hirji Bhai:

Will the Minister of Transport and Shipping be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has provided any loan for Haldia Port; and (b) if so the main terms thereof?

Written Answers

The Minister of Transport and Shipping (Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Export of Sugar

88. Shri Dhuleshwar Meena: Shri Ramachandra Ulaka; Shri K. Pradhani: Shri Hirji Bhai:

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

- (a) whether Government have any proposal to export more sugar during 1967-68 as compared to the last year for earning foreign exchange;
- (b) if so, whether Government have entered into any agreement with any country for the export of sugar; and
 - (c) if so, the broad details thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) No, Sir. In view of substantial fall in sugar production in the current season 1966-67, Government have decided not to enter into any further commitments for exports of sugar during this year. Exports in 1967-68 will be 2:2 lakh tonnes as compared to 4:41 lakh tonnes last year.

(b) The following sales have been made for export of sugar during 1967:

Country		(Lakh	Quantity Tonnes)
U. S. A.		(2000	0.69
U. K.			0.79
Canada			0.72
	Total		2.20

(c) Export to U.S.A, is on the basis of the average of the Contract No. 10 spot quotations of New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange Inc., during a specified period. Export of 0:25 lakh tonnes to U.K. will be at the negotiated