

The survey work in these States is still in progress.

(b) Does not arise.

Booklets and Reading Materials for promotion of Tourism

2247. Shri M. R. Krishna:

Shri C. Dass:

Will the Minister of Tourism and Civil Aviation be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Tourism Corporation has decided to publish alternative booklets and reading materials for the benefit of the foreign tourists in India; and

(b) if so, the efforts made to highlight important centres like Salarjung Museum in Hyderabad and numerous winter and other sports centres of India to attract foreign tourists?

The Minister of Tourism and Civil Aviation (Dr. Karan Singh): (a) Yes, Sir, The India Tourism Development Corporation has been entrusted on behalf of the Department of Tourism with the work of producing tourist publicity literature

(b) Various publications such as folders, guides, brochures, inserts, posters produced by the Tourism Department cover all tourist centres which are of interest to foreign tourists. Important centres like Salarjung Museum in Hyderabad and winter and other sports such as fishing, shikar and trekking, and wild life sanctuaries are covered in publicity literature produced by this Department.

Facilities for Jute Growers

2248. Shri P. G. Sen: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether retting facilities for jute growers for raising the quality to meet the qualitative requirement of the jute industry in the Kosi Canal Project areas have been considered; and

(b) if so, how far it is in its way of implementation?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shiade): (a) The Government of Bihar has sanctioned the following programme on 24-5-67 for provision of retting facilities to the jute growers during 1967-68, on 50 per cent subsidy basis:—

(Numbers)

1. Individual retting tanks	350
2. Community retting tanks	50
3. Tube-well-cum-pucca tanks	12
4. Chain of retting tanks	60
5. Cement Concrete Slabs	10,000

(b) Steps are being taken by the State Government for implementing the programme. Prior to the sanction of the scheme 227 kucha and 12 Community tanks had been constructed.

अनाज की अनिवार्य बसूली

2249. श्री प्रकाशबीर शास्त्री :

श्री रघुबीर सिंह शास्त्री :

डा० कर्णो सिंह :

श्री स्वैल :

श्रीमती निलोप कोर :

श्री बंरो :

श्री कोताई बिकबा :

क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) किन किन राज्यों में अनाज की अनिवार्य बसूली की योजना बाध की गई है;

(ख) इस योजना के अन्तर्गत अब तक कितना अनाज बसूल किया गया है;

(ग) क्या अनाज की अनिवार्य बसूली के कुछ कारण कठिनाइयाँ भी उत्पन्न हो गई हैं; और

(ब) यदि हा, तो कम्बू बूर काने के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

साध, कुम्भ, साधुादिक विकास तथा सहकारता मन्त्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री प्रभासाहिब शिंदे) (क) खाद्यान्नों की प्रतिवार्य प्रतिप्रार्पित की योजना प्रान्द्र प्रदेश, बिहार, गुजरात, केरल, हरियाणा, महाराष्ट्र, मैसूर, मध्य प्रदेश, पंजाब, राजस्वान उत्तर प्रदेश तथा पश्चिमी बंगाल के राज्यों मे चालू की गई है ।

(ख) इस योजना के अतर्गत चालू वर्ष मे अभी तक लगभग 17 लाख मीटरी टन खाद्यान्नों की प्रतिप्रार्पित हुई है ।

(ग) सामान्यत खाद्यान्नों की प्रति-बाय प्रतिप्रार्पित के कारण कोई कठिनाई पैदा नहीं हुई है ।

(घ) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता ।

Cochin Port

2250. Shri Vasudevan Nair:
Shri C. Janardhanan:
Shri P. C. Adichan:

Will the Minister of Transport and Shipping be pleased to state

(a) the amount set apart for the development of the Cochin Port during 1966-67,

(b) the amount spent; and

(c) whether the port is facing serious difficulties due to lack of improvement and development?

The Minister of Transport and Shipping (Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao): (a) The amount set apart for the development of Cochin Port during 1966-67 was Rs 133.43 lakhs

(b) The amount spent during 1966-67 on the development of the port was Rs 114.52 lakhs.

(c) No, Sir. During the successive five year Plans, port facilities have been considerably improved. Inportan works cover the construction of two coal berths, 4-berth wharf in the Branakulam Channel, a new oil

tanker jetty and a new 120 ton floating crane. The purchase of a new 1500 H.P. tug has been sanctioned. Orders have been placed for one self propelled fire float. The invitation of tenders for the purchase of a new hopper grab dredger costing about Rs 50 lakhs has been authorised. The purchase of a new suction dredger to replace the existing dredger 'Lord Willingdon' is under consideration.

Allotment of Wheat and Sugar to Orissa

2251 Shri Ramachandra Uika:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shri Heerji Bhal:
Shri K. Pradhani:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state

(a) the quantity of wheat and sugar allotted and actually supplied to Orissa during 1966-67, and

(b) the quantity of wheat and sugar allotted for the first quarter of 1967-68 to Orissa?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) The quantities of imported wheat and sugar allotted and actually despatched or released to Orissa during 1966-67 (April-March) were

(figures in '000 tonnes)

	Allotment	Despatched or released
Wheat	148.3	136.4
Sugar	69.7	59.7

(b) the quantities of imported wheat and sugar allotted including further likely allotment to Orissa for the first quarter of 1967-68 (April-June 1967) are.

	Allotment
Wheat	29.2
Sugar	2.