

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde):** (a) Yes. It has been in use of China for long. Soya bean products have also gained popularity in recent years in the United States.

(b) Soya beans are not cultivated to any appreciable extent in India. However, the technology and economics of using vegetable proteins for the manufacture of infant food are under investigation

#### Shipyard at Marmagao

**2961. Shri Shinkre:** Will the Minister of Transport and Shipping be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a substantial demand for Indian-made ships from Indian and foreign shipping firms,

(b) whether the present shipyards in India are in a position to satisfy their orders;

(c) whether Government have finalised any schemes for the construction of a shipyard at Marmagao;

(d) if so, the details thereof, and

(e) if the reply to part (c) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor?

**The Minister of Transport and Shipping (Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao):** (a) Yes. Sir There is demand for Indian-made ships from Indian Shipping Firms only

(b) No, Sir.

(c) to (e). There is no proposal under consideration of Government for the construction of a shipyard at Marmagao Government have already decided to set up a shipyard at Cochin in the West Coast.

#### Minor Ports on Goan Coast

**2963. Shri Shinkre:** Will the Minister of Transport and Shipping be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the potentialities of the minor ports

like Panaji, Betul and Sinquerim on Goan Coast;

(b) whether any scheme has been finalised for the development of these ports;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if the reply to part (b) above be in the negative, whether Government propose to finalise a scheme in view of increasing needs and constant demand from the business community, specially mine-owners from Goa?

**The Minister of Transport and Shipping (Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao):** (a) to (d). The information required has been called for from the Government of Goa, Daman and Diu and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha

#### Sale of Soft Coke in Villages

**2964. Shri Yajnik:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to a booklet called "From Dung and Wood to Coal" published by the Coal Utilisation Council at New Delhi; and

(b) whether Government have taken any steps to implement the recommendation made in the booklet to subsidise the sale of soft coke in the villages to prevent the peasants from using valuable cattle dung for cooking?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde):** (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The Government is aware of the problem of the use of cattle-dung as fuel. Whereas some fire-wood and cattle-dung are available in rural areas free, or at a nominal cost, commercial fuel such as soft coke will be costlier and there will be natural resistance for their use by the economically weaker sections of the rural community. With the present cost of soft coke, using this as fuel in the rural households to divert them from using valuable cattle-dung for cooking is not feasible. The Government do not pro-

pose to subsidise the sale of soft-coke in the rural areas. The approach should be to encourage use of soft coke in urban areas in replacement of the use of fire wood and charcoal, so that the availability of fuel-wood in rural areas may improve, thus reducing the pressure on the use of cattle dung as fuel in rural areas resulting in saving it for use as manure.

**मछली पालने तथा पकड़ने के लिये प्रशिक्षण केन्द्र**

2965. श्री विभूति मिश्र

श्री ६० ना० तिवारी

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

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार का विचार देश में मछली पालने तथा पकड़ने के लिये दस प्रशिक्षण केन्द्रों को जिन में केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा बिहार में बनाया जाने वाला एक केन्द्र भी शामिल है बन्द करने का है और

(ख) यदि हाँ तो क्या यह भी सच है कि सरकार का विचार बिहार में दानापुर केन्द्र का बन्द करने के बाद उत्तरी बिहार में मानिहारी में एक केन्द्र स्थापित करने का है ?

खाद्य, कृषि गामब्याधिक विकास तथा सहकार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री छत्रगुहाहिब सिन्हे) : (क) जिन बन्दों का जार में कहा गया है वे प्रायः भूम्य विस्तार एकक हैं जो बिहार सहित कुछ राज्यों में बनाए जा रहे थे। जिनमें आठ एकक थे। 28 फरवरी, 1967 को दस नव एकक बन्द कर दिए गए। पूर्व में सभी करने के लिए उस समय का प्रधान मंत्री द्वारा 1965 में स्थापित कार्यद्वारा विवेक समिति की सिफारिश का अनुसरण कर बन्द किए गए थे।

(ख) केन्द्रीय सरकार किसी राज्य

में भूम्य विस्तार एकक खोलने के किसी प्रस्ताव पर विचार नहीं कर रही है।

**Park Hotel at Park Street, Calcutta**

2966. श्री Madhu Limaye:

Shri S. M. Banerjee:

Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:

Shri George Fernandes:

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

(a) whether the refusal to give licence to the Proprietor of the Park Hotel at Park Street, Calcutta on technical grounds has since been withdrawn,

(b) whether any enquiry was made as to whether the necessary steel and cement quota had been obtained by the Proprietor of this Hotel before undertaking its construction,

(c) if so, the conclusions reached, and

(d) whether any proceedings have been started by Government against the Proprietor for constructing the Park Hotel without valid cement and steel permits/quota?

**The Minister of Tourism and Civil Aviation (Dr. Karan Singh):** (a) No, Sir. The matter is under consideration of the State Government.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The State Government have issued permits for 880 tons of cement to Messrs Aruna Estates Private Ltd., Calcutta for construction of Park Hotel. However, their records do not show that any steel permit have been issued in favour of the firm for this hotel. No application for steel permit was made to the Iron & Steel Controller Government of India.

(d) No, Sir.

**Agricultural Universities in India**

2967. **Shri P. Viswambharan:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Agricultural Universities in India, and