

1	2	3
(5) Project for coconut plantation on canal embankment in Orissa	70.24	70.24
(6) Project for promotion of Primary processing and marketing activities	24.20	3.00
(7) Project for establishment of coconut technological development centres	10.10	—
(8) Setting up of Demonstration-cum-Seed Production Farm for Coconut at Mandya in Karnataka	18.225	—
(9) Project for providing assistance for irrigation facilities to coconut growers	29.604	3.00
(10) Removal of root-wilt in Tamil Nadu	14.40	—

Commissioning of TV Station at Ratnagiri

1607. SHRI HUSSAIN DALWAI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the time by which the T.V. Station at Ratnagiri will be commissioned ;

(b) whether it will be full-fledged station or only relaying unit ; and

(c) the cost likely to be involved for this project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL) : (a) There is no approved scheme at present to set up a TV Centre at Ratnagiri.

(b) and (c) : Do not arise.

Public Distribution System

1608. SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) the physical objectives for the Public Distribution System in the Sixth Five Year Plan in respect of coverage of families per Fair Price Shop;

(b) number of items to be distributed viz., staple food items, kerosene, sugar etc. ;

(c) what has been the short-fall in achieving the targets of the Public Distribution System in the Sixth Five Year Plan and reasons therefor ; and

(d) the steps Government are taking to achieve the full projected targets of Public Distribution System to make up the shortfall and accelerating the progress ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) In the Sixth Five Year Plan it was mentioned that the total number of fair price shops including private outlets in the country was proposed to be increased from 2.50 lakhs to 3.50 lakhs by the end of the Sixth Five Year Plan. Accordingly, the Central Government has been requesting States/Union Territories to establish more and more fair price shops so as to achieve the norm of one fair price shop for every 2000