

## Decisions Rendered

Year	No. of decisions rendered	Complaints upheld	Complaints rejected	Complaints settled	Complaints dismissed	Complaints dropped
<b>Under Section 13</b>						
1983	28	9	3	5	8	3
1984	51	21	5	4	16	5
1985	11	3	2	4	1	1
<b>Under Section 14</b>						
1983	19	10	4	4	1	—
1984	71	33	13	19	2	4
1985	19	10	4	4	1	—

**Agreement in non-ferrous Metallurgy  
sector between India and Soviet  
Union.**

1037. DR. T. KALPANA DEVI : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether a protocol envisaging further co-operation in non-ferrous metallurgical sector has been signed recently between India and Soviet Union;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the protocol also envisages making available to India advanced technologies developed in the Soviet Union ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) : (a) to (c). A meeting of the Working Group on Non-Ferrous Metallurgy of Indo-Soviet Joint Commission was held in New Delhi in January, 1986 and Protocol was signed at the end of the meeting covering the matters discussed. These included cooperation for the setting up of an export-oriented bauxite mining complex in Andhra Pradesh; continued cooperation at the Korba (M.P.) Aluminium Plant in further developments in the field of gallium, super purity aluminium and alumina calcination.

2. The protocol also provides for cooperation in the field of high speed shaft sinking and tunnelling. The protocol took note of the progress of training of India personnel in USSR and the working programmes between the Indian Bureau of Mines and the Soviet organisations in regard to development of representative sampling methods and processes of selective flotation of poly-metallic ores and research in flotation and development of new flotation reagents.

3. The Soviet side also agreed to make available information on advanced technologies developed in that country for processing non-ferrous metal concentrates. The Working Group also discussed and signed the work programme of cooperation between the two countries in the field of non-ferrous metallurgy for 1986-90, which will be reviewed and up-dated in the annual meetings of the Working Group, from time to time.

**Awareness camps in rural areas  
regarding benefit schemes**

1038. SHRI AKHTAR HASAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are definite plans to arouse awareness among the rural poor

regarding various benefits available under different programmes;

(b) whether this is proposed to be done by holding awareness generation Camps by non-Governmental agencies; and

(c) if so, when and where the scheme is likely to be implemented ?

**THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (S. BUTA SINGH) :** (a) Yes, Sir. A Central Sector scheme for the Organisation of beneficiaries of anti-poverty programmes has been initiated in the current year. This scheme is intended to increase the awareness of beneficiaries and strengthen their bargaining position so as to help them to get the maximum benefits of such programmes.

(b) Yes, Sir. Awareness generation camps are proposed to be organised for the target group supported by non-governmental agencies which may inculcate confidence among them.

(c) At the central level, the scheme, will be executed through the Peoples Action for Development (India) (PADI) Modalities in this regard are being worked out by ADI.

#### Food output in 1984-85

**1039. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANI-GRAHI :** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Economic Survey presented to Parliament in February, 1985 estimated the food output at 153.6 million tonnes in 1984-85;

(b) if so, how is it that now his Ministry has announced the food output at 146.2 million tonnes; and

(c) the reasons for this variation ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) :** (a) to (c). No, Sir. The Economic Survey presented to Parliament in February, 1985 had indicated that the production of foodgrains in 1984-85 is expected to be around the same level as in 1983-84

i.e. 151.5 million tonnes. This estimate was based on available reports (final/tentative) on kharif output for 1984-85 from the States as also projections assumed for Rabi crops. However, due to deficient post monsoon/winter rains during 1984-85, the production of late Kharif/Rabi crops was adversely affected in a number of States leading to a downward revision of the estimate. Consequently, the overall foodgrains output in 1984-85, based on final estimates available from the States is now placed at 146.2 million tonnes.

#### Interim report of wage board for sugar industry

**1040. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL :** Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that about 2 lakh workers of 176 sugar factories in the Southern Zone comprising Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Orissa demanded Interim relief and proposed a token strike in support of their demands;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) whether Government have received interim report of the Wage Board appointed for considering the demands of the workers; and

(d) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken by Government in finding out the solution for payment of interim relief and also averting the token strike by the workers ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) :** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The Third Wage Board for Sugar Industry submitted its recommendations about interim relief to workers to the Government recently. These are under examination of the Government.

#### Thrust mission strategy for oilseeds

**1041. SHRIMATI KISHORI SINHA :** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :