

[English]

Power from Bagasse

8899. SHRI RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received a request from the Government of Karnataka for financial assistance to set up a bagasse based power plant in the State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A proposal to set up a 25 MW capacity high efficiency cogeneration system at Mysore Sugar Mills, Karnataka to export 18 to 20 MW surplus power to the grid has been received. The proposal envisages replacement of existing low pressure boilers and turbo-generators with high efficiency modern boilers and turbo-generators operating at high steam pressure and temperature. An examination of the proposal reveals that it may also be necessary to replace one of the existing milking lines initially installed sixty years ago and part of the boiling house equipment to improve reliability of fuel (bagasse) supplies for the proposed cogeneration system. Information of the total project cost and the means of financing the projects are being ascertained.

Alleged Encroachment in Airport Area

8900. SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHUZANTYE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the acres of land occupied by the national and international airports;

(b) whether any alleged encroachment has taken place on any of these airports; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to clear the encroachment?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c). Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Foreign Collaboration for Snack Foods and Beverage Blending Plant

8901. SHRI M.V.V.S. MURTHY: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a snack foods plant and a beverage blending plant with foreign collaboration; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Newspapers Published from Kerala

8902. SHRI THAYIL JOHNANJALOSE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of weeklies, fortnightlies and monthlies published from Kerala which have been found suitable for giving advertisements by the Directorate of Audio-Visual Publicity; and

(b) the names of the dailies, weeklies, fortnightlies and monthlies of Kerala given