

Trade between India and New Zealand

5088. SHRI HARIHAR SOREN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of New Zealand has expressed their desire to expand trade with India;

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

(c) the steps taken to establish better trade and economic co-operation with New Zealand; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) to (d). During his recent visit to India, the Prime Minister of New Zealand expressed a desire to expand trade with India. The Government of India welcomed this suggestion. The New Zealand Government have re-established their High Commissioner in India and a Trade Commissioner has also been posted in Delhi. The Government of India has reciprocated this by posting a full-fledged High Commissioner in New Zealand and the staff in the Indian High Commission in being appropriately strengthened.

Coffee Production

5089. DR. P. VALLAL PERUMAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total quantity of coffee produced in the country;

(b) the total quantity of coffee and coffee products consumed in the country annually; and

(c) the amount of foreign exchange earned annually through export of coffee by the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) The total quantity of coffee produced in the country for 1984-85 crop is provisionally estimated to be of the order of 1,80,000 tonnes.

(b) The total consumption is currently estimated at around 55,000 tonnes.

(c) The foreign exchange earnings for

1984-85 are provisionally estimated to be of the order of Rs. 205 crores.

C.B.I. Raids in Calcutta

5090. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to a news-item captioned "Chatkal Malikder Bari Tallashi, Sethiar Sange Yog Actie Sandetre Kolkatai Hana" (Jute Mill Owners' Houses searched, Raids in Calcutta due to suspicion of connection with Sethia) published in Bengali newspaper Ajkal of 23 February, 1985;

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

(c) the results achieved by C.B.I. raids?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) to (c). The Central Bureau of Investigation has reported that it did not carry out any search, referred to in the news item, in connection with Sethia's case.

Danish International Development Agency Projects

5091. SHRI N. VENKATA RATNAM : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the particulars of the projects of Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA) in India;

(b) its financial contribution this year and subsequent years; and

(c) the number of projects to be taken up in future and the cost thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) A Statement of projects for financing from the Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA) in India is enclosed.

(b) The financial contribution from DANIDA for this year and years to come is as follows :