

**Issue of letter of Intent for
New Sugar Units**

5324. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether letter of intent issued for new units for sugar specifically state that the concessions of Sampath Committee will be available to the new units ; if the unit goes into production within 39 month ; and

(b) whether Government have made any assessment to find out whether the new units are really able to go into production in 39 months and how many such units are enjoying the Committee's concession and the number of units which could not avail of it ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) : (a) The letters of intent/ industrial licences issued for new sugar projects do not especially state that the concessions of Revised Incentive Scheme will be available to such units if they go into production within 39 months.

(b) An assessment has been made in respect of new sugar projects licensed (from October, 1980 i.e. from the commencement of the Sixth Plan) and those that have been installed till date. The position is that of 19 project 10 have reported completion of the project within the stipulated period envisaged in the Revised Incentive Scheme. Of these 3 are already enjoying the benefits of the Revised Incentive Scheme, and the remaining 7 cases are under examination of Government with a view to determining their eligibility or otherwise, under the parameters of the Revised Incentive Scheme. The remaining cases of new sugar factories are those which could not complete their project within this stipulated period under the scheme, and have thus not been able to avail of the benefit of the scheme.

Construction of a dry dock at Vizhinjam

5325. PROF. P.J. KURIEN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to construct a Dry Dock at Vizhinjam in Kerala ;

(b) whether this scheme has been included in the Seventh Plan ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR) : (a) to (c). The Central Government have received a proposal from Government of Kerala to construct a dry dock at Vizhinjam. According to the preliminary estimates received in October, 1983, the project is to cost Rs. 478.30 lakhs. It is designed to accommodate about 150 fishing vessels in a year requiring repair facilities. However, the Seventh Plan schemes of Fisheries Sector have not yet been finalised.

Newsprint Allocated to Publishers

5327. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the total metric tonnes of newsprint allocated to the publishers in 1984-85 ;

(b) whether the publishers are facing shortage of newsprint ;

(c) if so, the steps taken to meet the growing demand of newsprint by the publishers ; and

(d) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL) : (a) An allocation of