

to take some more time for the Sub-Committee to finalise its report.

**Scheme for Recruitment of Management Trainees by SAIL**

1984. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the scheme for recruitment of Management trainees by the Steel Authority of India comprises a written test followed by interview;

(b) whether the merit list is prepared on the basis of the interview alone, after qualifying in the written test or by the aggregate of the marks obtained in the written test and in the interview; and

(c) the number of trainees recruited during 1985-86 ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) and (b). Recruitment of Management Trainees by SAIL from the open market, both for Technical and Administrative streams, is through a three stage selection process. This consists of Written Tests followed by Group Task/Discussion and interviews. Only those candidates who qualify in the Written Tests are invited to appear in the Group Task/Discussion. Similarly, only those candidates who qualify in the Group Task/Discussion are eligible to appear for the interview. The final merit list for appointment is prepared on the basis of the aggregate performance of the candidates in the Written Test, Group Task/Discussion and interview.

(c) In 1985 and 1986, SAIL made the following recruitments :

	Number Recruitment	
	1985	1986
Management Trainees (Technical)	679	307
Management Trainees (Admn.)	—	97
Total	679	404

**Implementation of Bombay Urban Transport Project-Phase II**

1985. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have finalised the project of Bombay Urban Transport Project-Phase II as recommended by Government of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the present stage of the project; and

(c) the break up of the amount proposed to be spent on different types of transport and whether the mode of payment has been finalised ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) and (b). The complete details for Bombay Urban Transport Project Phase II have not been received from the Government of Maharashtra.

(c) Does not arise.

**Per Hectare Yield of Coconut**

1986. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the yield of coconuts per hectare;

(b) whether it is a fact that the improvement of coconut tree has long been neglected;

(c) whether France has carried out numerous cross breedings between differently originated coconut trees;

(d) whether such experiment can be conducted in our country; and

(e) the reaction of Government thereto and the steps proposed to be taken to improve the yield of copra and coconut ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) The Yield of coconut

is 5787 nuts per hectare according to 1984-85 figures.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e). Cross breeding experiments have been in progress in India for over 3 decades. Evaluation of yield performance in 87 hybrids combinations has indicated the superiority of four hybrids 'Chowghat Dwarf Orange (CDO) × 'West Coast Tall' (WCT), 'Laccadive Ordinary (LO) × 'Ganga Bendam', 'LO' × 'C.D.O.' and 'VHC-I' and these have been recommended for release. These hybrids have given 26 to 33% more nuts and 30 to 46 per cent more copro/palm/year than the local Talls. Research investigations have been intensified at the Central Plantation Crops Research Institute and the Coordinated Project. Apart from identifying high yielding varieties and hybrids, suitable management practices are also being developed.

#### Area Under Coconut Plantation

1987. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total area under coconut plantation in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether there are plans to expand the coconut plantations in Karnataka during the Seventh Five Year Plan; and

(c) if so, the progress made so far in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Total area under coconut plantation in the country is as follows :

(<sup>'000 hectares)</sup>

State	Area
1	2
Kerala	687.5
Karnataka	202.8

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Tamil Nadu	159.4
Andhra Pradesh	47.0*
Orissa	27.6
West Bengal	15.3*
Goa, Daman and Diu	22.3*
All-India	1207.9*

\* Provisional

(b) The Coconut Development Board is implementing a Project for expansion of area under coconut in Karnataka.

(c) As a result, the area under coconut plantation in Karnataka has increased from 171.5 thousand hectares in 1980-81 to 202.8 thousand hectares in 1985-86.

#### New Emigration Clearance Regulations

1988. SHRI H.B. PATIL : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently enforced new regulations governing the grant of emigration clearance to young women going to Italy and West European countries for religious studies; and

(b) if so, the details of the procedure followed in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) : (a) and (b). Yes Sir. Young women going as nens to European countries for religious studies or for joining their own congregation abroad for work are now required to produce a certificate from the local Bishop where the candidate is residing or from the National Secretariat CRI Delhi in addition to existing requirements.

#### D. A. to Mother Dairy Staff

1989 SHRI MANIK REDDY :  
DR. G. VIJAYA RAMA RAO :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state ;