

(c) The main objective of the Plan is to increase coffee production, which in turn will simultaneously provide employment for the people of this area, increase availability of coffee both for internal consumption and for exports earning additional foreign exchange.

**देश के आवश्यकता से अधिक पम्पों का निर्यात करने का प्रस्ताव**

\* 604. डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पाण्डेय :  
क्या बाणिज्य तथा नागरिक प्रति और सहकारिता मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार आवश्यकता से अधिक पम्पों का सुविधाजनक निर्यात करने की विशेष योजना पर विचार कर रही है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसकी मुख्य बातें क्या हैं ?

**बाणिज्य तथा नागरिक प्रति और सहकारिता मंत्री (श्री ओदन धारिया) :**

(क) और (ख) कोई विशेष स्कीम विचाराधीन नहीं है। प्रमुख आन्तरिक तथा बाह्य परिवर्तनों पर लगातार निगरानी रखी जाती है तथा इन गतिविधियों को ध्यान में रखते हुए निर्यातों को बढ़ाने के लिए निर्यात नीति सम्बन्धी समुचित उपाय किये जाते हैं।

**Review of Recommendations of sixth Finance Commission**

4402. SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE: Will the Minister of FINANCE, AND REVENUE AND BANKING be pleased to state whether Government of India propose to review the recommendations of the 6th Finance Commission regarding Central assistance to State Governments in the background of repeated representations or requests from the Members of Parliament and

some State Governments and also in the light of some assurances given by Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation in the past?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI H. M. PATEL): There is no proposal to review the recommendation of the Sixth Finance Commission regarding policy and arrangements for financing of relief expenditure by the States affected by national calamities. This matter has, however, been included in the terms of reference of the Seventh Finance Commission.

**Production and Export of Tea**

4403. SHRI DHARMAVIR VASISHT: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) the position of Tea Industry in our National Economy with special reference to its share in the Gross National Product Export Trade and Employment;

(b) whether our yield per hectare is the highest in the world; and

(c) whether the total production as well as exports have stagnated; if so, the reasons for the same and steps taken to increase production and exports of tea?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE, AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA):

(a) Contribution of the Tea Industry to the Gross National Product based on auction price is estimated at about Rs. 640 crores in 1976 or about 1 per cent of G.N.P. Export earnings from tea (Rs. 273 crores in 1976-77) represented about 5.5 per cent of country's total export earnings. About 7.7 lakh labourers are employed in tea plantations and nearly a million workers are estimated to be employed in the tea trade and its various ancillary industries.

(b) Among Black tea producing countries India has the highest yield per hectare. However, Japan which produces green tea is having a higher yield rate than India for that type of tea.

(c) No, Sir. On the contrary the production and exports have been rising steadily in the past few years. As against a production of 456 M. Kgs. in 1972, production rose to 511.82 M. Kgs. during 1976. Exports and earnings therefrom rose from 198 M. Kgs. valued at Rs. 151.14 crores in 1972 to 233.61 M. Kgs. valued at Rs. 273 crores in 1976 (provisional).

**Pay scales of selection grade Auditors of Indian Audit and Accounts Department**

4404. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of FINANCE, AND REVENUE AND BANKING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the pay of some of the Selection Grade Auditors of the Indian Audit and Accounts Department will stagnate before 10 to 16 years of their retirement; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps to be taken to redress their grievances?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, AND REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI H. M. PATEL): (a) As per information available on record some Selection Grade Auditors will stay at the maximum for 10 years and more before their retirement.

(b) An item "Removal of stagnation in the Selection Grade Auditors Cadre" came up for discussion in the last meeting of the Departmental Council; Indian Audit and Accounts Department, and was remitted to a Committee of the Council for further consideration. The Committee has since been appointed and its recommendations are awaited.

**गुजरात में अम्बाजी का पर्यटन केन्द्र के रूप में विकास**

4405. श्री चौधरी मोती भाई अर० क्या पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का विचार इस बात को ध्यान में रखते हुए (गुजरात में) अम्बाजी को पर्यटन केन्द्र के रूप में विकसित करने का है कि यह एक प्रसिद्ध तीर्थस्थान है और पर्वतीय क्षेत्र में स्थित है तथा यहां रोजाना हजारों तीर्थ यात्री और पर्यटक आते हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो यह विकास कार्यक्रम कब तक आरम्भ किया जायेगा ?

पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री (श्री पुरुषोत्तम कौशिक) : (क) केन्द्रीय क्षेत्र में अम्बाजी में यात्रियों के लिये सुविधाओं के विकास के लिये फिलहाल कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

**Bed Capacity in Hotels**

4406. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total bed capacity in hotels categorised for foreign tourists at present; is it sufficient to accommodate the present rate of tourist traffic to India;

(b) the number of new beds that could be increased in private and public sectors during the past three years; and was their number in consonance with the expected increase in tourist traffic; and

(c) whether there is a proposal to grant more licences for more hotels to be built in private sector and whe-