

quarters and districts/tribal areas where the population coverage of rural and semi-urban branches is relatively poor. Banks have also been advised that while drawing up their branch expansion programmes, they should give priority to centres identified as growth centres by the State Government.

(b) and (c). Instances of branches of banks being opened in close proximity have occurred in certain localities of urban/metropolitan/port towns, mainly due to commercial importance and business potential in these localities and paucity of suitable accommodation at these centres. To curb this tendency, Reserve Bank has stipulated that, in residential localities in Metropolitan/Port Towns and urban centres, banks should maintain a minimum distance of 400 metres from the nearest existing branch. In other localities also banks have been advised not to open branches in a building which has another branch functioning in or opposite or adjacent to it.

To ensure that the banks open more branches at unbanked rural centres, Reserve Bank has stipulated that beginning with January 1, 1977, a bank will have to open 4 branches at unbanked rural centres to be entitled to open a branch each at a metropolitan and a banked centre.

Removal of Wide Disparities in the rates of Commodities Supplied to U.S.A., U.S.S.R and European Countries

4302. SHRI B. K. NAIR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) the prices realised in terms of rupees per unit of export of commodities like tea, coffee, cashewnut, Coir and Corn products, etc. to countries like U.S.A., U.S.S.R. and European Countries during the past five years; and

(b) what steps are being taken to remove the wide disparities, wherever they exist in the rates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION (SHRI ARIF BEG): (a) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(b) By and large the average Unit value realisation does not differ substantially from one country to another because the prices offered by the importing countries for particular items are determined by a combination of factors viz., quality of the product, terms of contract, timing of exports, mode of payment, nature of demand and supply situation at that particular time.

Statement

"Average Unit value for Exports (F.O.B.)"

Sl. No.	Commodity	Country	Unit	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	8
1.	TEA:		Rs. P. Kg.					
	U. K.	.		7.79	6.98	7.68	8.38	10.13
	U. S. A.	. .		7.09	7.41	8.39	10.83	12.59
	U.S.S.R.	.		8.19	8.70	12.28	12.43	13.36
	W. Germany	.		10.50	11.94	14.80	16.51	15.78
2.	COFFEE:		Rs. P. Kg.					
	U. K.	. . .		7.29	11.94	10.62	13.03	22.00
	U. S. A.	. . .		6.39	8.10	8.30	10.27	23.70

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	U. S. S. R.		5.18	16.20	10.68	10.90	20.90
	W. Germany		8.52	14.73	10.19	10.91	26.70
3. CASHEW KERNELS:		Rs. P. Kg.					
	U. K.		10.39	13.67	15.90	17.82	21.21
	U. S. A.		10.78	13.89	17.17	17.03	21.09
	U. S. S. R.		9.98	14.71	18.33	17.37	18.76
	W. Germany		8.93	11.44	15.00	18.81	18.44
4. COIR & COIR PRODUCTS:		Rs. P. T.					
	U. K.		3641	5961	5124	6807	6800
	U. S. A.		2932	3198	4000	4976	5333
	U. S. S. R.		3787	5140	5362	6302	7500
	W. Germany		3090	3265	4524	5955	5500

NOTE : Average unit value of exports has been derived by dividing value by quantity.

SOURCE : D. Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India. (D.G.C.I. & S.)

जीवन बीमा निगम तथा युनाइटेड फायर एण्ड अनरल इन्श्योरेंस कम्पनी में काम कर रहे अनुसूचित जाति तथा अनुसूचित जनजाति के कर्मचारी

4393. श्री महीलाल : क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) भारतीय जीवन बीमा निगम, युनाइटेड फायर एण्ड जनरल इन्श्योरेंस कम्पनी तथा अन्य राष्ट्रीयकृत बीमा कम्पनियों में, कम्पनी-वार विभिन्न श्रेणियों/वर्गों में काम करने वाले पदनाम-वार कुल कितने कर्मचारी हैं ;

(ख) उन में से अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित जनजातियों के पदनाम-वार कितने कर्मचारी हैं और उन की प्रतिशतता क्या है ;

(ग) क्या इन कम्पनियों में अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित जनजातियों के लिए प्राथमिक कोटे को भर दिया गया है ; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं और इनमें कोटा भरने के लिये सरकार ने क्या विशेष कार्यवाही की है अथवा कर रही है ?