

ROAD DEVELOPMENT IN RAJASTHAN

1760. Shri Bheekha Bhai : Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state the provisions made in the Second Five Year Plan under road development for South East parts of Rajasthan?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra) : The Commission have approved a provision of Rs. 8.99 crores for road development in the entire State of Rajasthan under the Second Five Year Plan. The amount to be allocated for the South East parts of the State from this provision is still under consideration of the State Government.

CARBON BLACK

**1761. { Shri Ram Krishan :
The Lakshman Singh Charak :**

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the progress so far made for the manufacture of Carbon Black in India ?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari) : A small factory has already been set up for producing carbon black, but its output is very small compared with the country's requirements, which are increasing. The quality of the product needs further improvement. Carbon black has, therefore, been included in the programme of the National Industrial Development Corporation and manufacture is envisaged to be based on creosote oil as one of the raw materials. Supplies of creosote oil in the required quantities may be expected only with the commencement of distillation of coal tar from the new iron and steel plants and, therefore, actual manufacture of carbon black on a large scale is likely to take some time.

राष्ट्रीय विस्तार सेवा खंड

१७६२. श्री भक्त बर्दान : क्या योजना मंत्री १६ मार्च, १९५६ के अतारंकित प्रश्न संख्या ४४० के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उत्तर प्रदेश में छ: नये विकास

खंड, जो राष्ट्रीय विस्तार सेवा योजना के अन्तर्गत १ अप्रैल, १९५६ से प्रारम्भ किये जाने वाले थे, वास्तव में चालू किये जा चुके हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो वे कहां-कहां तथा किन-किन जिलों में प्रारम्भ किये गये हैं ?

योजना उपमंत्री (श्री एस० एन० मिश्र) :

(क) नहीं ।

(ख) यह प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता ।

SERICULTURE

1763. Shri C. R. Narasimhan : Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state the broad outline of schemes under examination and contemplation for the development of sericulture in Madras State during the Second Five Year Plan ?

The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy) : The following schemes are proposed to be implemented for the development of sericulture industry in Madras State in the Second Five Year Plan :—

1. Mulberry expansion.
2. Improvement in seed production.
3. Silk worm rearing.
4. Cocoon production and sale.
5. Improvement of silk reeling.
6. Imparting technical training in Sericulture.
7. Deputation of officers to foreign countries.
8. Introduction of Sericultural Industry in Kullimalai Hills in Salem District.

A sum of Rs. 26.137 lakhs has tentatively been allocated by the Central Silk Board for execution of these schemes.

HANDLOOM CLOTH

1764. Shri Krishnacharya Joshi : Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount of subsidy given on the sale of handloom cloth from the 1st November to 15th November, 1955; and

(b) the total yardage of cloth sold?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari) :

(a) Rs. 16,03,027/- 6/9.

(b) 14,124,259 Yds.

The figures are provisional as complete information has not been received from a few States.

रबड़ की खेती

१७६५ श्री विभूति मिश्र : क्या वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि १९५४-५५ और १९५५-५६ में कुल कितनी एकड़-भूमि में रबड़ की खेती हुई ?

वाणिज्य और उद्योग तथा लोहा और इस्पात मंत्री (श्री टी० टी० कृष्णाम्माचारी) : रबड़ बोर्ड में रबड़ की खेती की पूजीबद्ध क्षेत्र इस प्रकार था :—

३१-१२-१९५४ को १७६,६४७ एकड़

३१-१२-१९५५ को २१५,७२६ एकड़

EXPORT OF BIRDS

1766. { Shri D. C. Sharma :
Sardar Iqbal Singh :
Sardar Akarpuri :

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number of birds exported during 1955-56; and

(b) the approximate value thereof ?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari) : (a) and (b). 320.816 birds valued at Rs. 4,83,555 have been exported during 1955-56.

COFFEE CULTIVATION

1767. **Shri D. C. Sharma :** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the area under coffee cultivation in the country at the end of 1955;

(b) the new areas brought under coffee cultivation during the years 1952, 1953, 1954 and 1955 respectively (State-wise), and

(c) the new areas proposed to be brought under coffee cultivation during 1956-57 (State-wise)?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari) : (a) The area under coffee cultivation in India during the crop year 1954-55 was 2,52,686 acres.

(b) A statement is attached. [See Appendix XI, annexure No. 49].

(c) State-wise or year-wise details are not available. A scheme for increasing coffee cultivation in the country is under consideration. Under this scheme, it is estimated that 23,700 acres might be brought under new coffee cultivation during the five-year period 1956-61.

CREOSOTE

1768. **Shri M. R. Krishna :** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

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

(b) the quantity that is utilized by the Government departments and the quantity which is sold in the open market; and

(c) the total amount received annually from the sale of Creosote?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari) : (a) 4,340 tons in 1955.

(b) In 1955, the producers sold 3,069 tons of Creosote Oil to Government departments and 1,530 tons to others.

(c) About Rs. 15 lakhs in 1955.

ALUMINIUM INDUSTRY

1769. **Shri Ram Krishan :** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Expert Committee constituted by Government for the development of Aluminium Industry has submitted its report; and

(b) if so, the main recommendations thereof?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.