

Motorable Road for Villages

4085. SHRI GHULAM MOHAMMAD KHAN : Will the Minister of RURAL RECONSTRUCTION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Roads Congress has initiated district level studies in various States; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) At the instance of the Indian Roads Congress, studies on socio-economic aspects of rural roads including road network planning in rural areas, are being undertaken on a sampling basis for Karbialong, Khaira, Bhiwani, Karnal (partly), Ratnagiri, Patiala, Salem, Basti, Kolar and Banaswara districts. The objectives of the study are: to make an assessment, in as quantifiable terms as possible, of the socio-economic impact of rural roads development; to develop criteria for planning of roads in rural areas and to evolve objective means for optimisation and drawing up of priorities.

Refixation of Sugar Quota for Kerala

4086. SHRIMATI SUSHILA GOPALAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has received any request from Government of Kerala for refixing their sugar quota from 10,495 tonnes to 14,190 tonnes per month; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI R.V. SWAMINATHAN) : (a) Yes, Sir. Kerala Government had requested for increasing their monthly levy sugar quota from 10,495 tonnes to 14,190 tonnes.

(b) With the coming into operation of partial control on sugar with effect from 17-12-1979, the monthly Statewise levy sugar quotas as obtaining during previous partial control period prior to decontrol of sugar on 16-8-1978, have been revived and accordingly Kerala Government is getting a monthly quota of 10,495 tonnes for distribution through fair price shops. Due to tight availability of levy sugar it has not been possible to increase the monthly levy sugar quota of Kerala Government.

Completion of Irrigation Projects in Rajasthan

4087. SHRI JAI NARAIN ROAT : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the medium and major irrigation projects which have been completed in Rajasthan in 1980-81;

(b) the names of the medium and major irrigation projects in Rajasthan which are likely to be completed during the Sixth Plan period;

(c) whether it is a fact that some of them are expected to be completed in 1981-82;

(d) if so, what are the names of those medium and major irrigation projects; and