

**Plan of Modernisation of N.T.C. Mills**

\*477. SHRI BALAKRISHNA WASNIK : Will the Minister of COMMERCE to be pleased to state :

(a) whether the approved plan of modernisation of N.T.C. mills controlled by the subsidiary located in Calcutta, has not yet been fully implemented due to dearth of funds and/or diversion of modernisation funds to other accounts;

(b) whether large number of tenders were invited earlier for civil construction works as part of modernisation programme for various units of NTC (WBABO) Ltd. and were not decided for award of contract;

(c) if so, the fact thereof and the reasons for delay in implementation of modernisation programme to rejuvenate the mills in Eastern Region; and

(d) the efforts being made to immediately implement the both existing projects and other projects under approved modernisation programmes?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) : (a) The implementation of the approved plan of modernisation for the units under NTC (WBABO) is by and large, progressing in a phased manner. Of the total amount of Rs. 36.19 crores sanctioned for the purpose by NTC/Financial Institutions, the mills under this subsidiary corporation have already received and installed machinery to the tune of about Rs. 31 crores.

(b) All such tenders, except one, have been finalised.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) It is expected that the remaining modernisation schemes will be implemented fully by the end of the Sixth Five Year Plan period, subject to financial constraints. Management at the

subsidiary level is also being strengthened for better management of the available resources.

**Differences Between India and U.S.A. on Global Financial and Monetary Issues**

\*478. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCI-NDIA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state ;

(a) whether differences between India and U.S.A on global financial and monetary issues continued to persist even after several rounds of talks during US Vice-President Mr. George Bush's visit to New Delhi in mid-may this year;

(b) if so, the details of the differences of the differences between the two countries which could not be resolved; and

(c) how far, the differences were resolved as a result of these talks and whether USA agreed to increase the US share to IDA-7 replenishment, if so, to what extent ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) to (c) There are continuing differences in our perceptions and those of the United States on global financial and monetary issues such as for example the need to convene an international conference on money and finance for development and the need to accelerate the flow of finance on concessional terms to developing countries. The size of the IDA-7 replenishment has been settled at \$ 9 billion, with a U.S. share of \$ 2.25 billion, and as per the information available with the Government there is as yet no change in the U.S. position on this issue.

**Study on Spreading out Operations of Mo Dowell**

4577. SHRI K. PRADHANI : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether MoDowell and Companies are planning to extend the franchising system traditional in the soft drinks industry to restaurants and have a dozen of the Americanised restaurants serving dressed up fare in all the major cities by end 1985;

(b) if so, whether Government have studied the impact of these spreading out operations of McDowells on the ITDC hotels and restaurants in various parts of the country its outcome and how Government propose to meet this competition; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN) : (a) M/s. MoDowell through the sister concern, M/s. Phipson & Co., have started a fast-food restaurant in New Delhi. They intend to open two more outlets—in Bombay and Delhi—within next two years, after evaluating the results of their New Delhi restaurant.

(b) and (c) No study about the impact of spreading out operations of MoDowell on ITDC hotels and restaurants has been conducted. However, M/s. MoDowell is providing fast food services while ITDC is operating hotels of economy class to 5-Star deluxe with restaurants offering different cuisine within these hotels. ITDC also operates a few restaurants at Agra, New Delhi, Kosi and Mallapuram. The services provided by ITDC hotels/restaurants and that of the restaurants of MoDowell are not considered comparable.

#### Recommendations of Wage Revision Committee

4578. SHRI A. NEELALOHITHADASAN NADAR : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the main recommendations of the Wage Revision Committee during

regime of previous Government regarding promotions and higher grades for ITDC Staff.

(b) the reasons for not giving such promotions and higher grades to the gradners of Kovalam ITDC Hotel;

(c) whether Government propose to take steps to give higher grades to them; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN) : (a) The main recommendations of the Wage Review Committee were automatic elevation to higher grades on completion of prescribed length of service for a majority of categories of staff including gardners. The Committee also made a provision for promotion through selection to higher grades.

(b) Eligible gardners working in TDC's Kovalam Hotel fulfilling requisite conditions have been placed in higher grades.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

#### Construction of New Serais

4579. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION BE PLEASED TO STATE : (a) Whether the Yatri Avas Vikas Samiti has chalked out any plan for the construction of new Serais and the completion of the construction work on the existing projects during the current financial year ;

(b) If so, the details of the projects target for completion and the new works to be taken up or proposed to be taken up for construction during the year 1984—85 State-wise ; and

(c) Whether it would be ensured that all works targeted for completion