Marine Corrosion Research Station, Digha

44. SHRI S.C. SAMANTA: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNO-LOGY (VIGYAN AUR PRADYOGIKI MANTRI) be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4822 on the 16th December, 1970 and to state:

(a) whether the Corrosion Advisory Bureau has already prepared a complete corrosion map of India with the data obtained in atmospheric corrosion tests by the M.C.R.S. at Digha;

(b) if so, how this map compares with other maps of different countries of the world;

(c) whether the O. N. C. C. (Oil and Natural Gas Commission) are utilising the data collected by the M. C. R. S. for the off-shore drilling structures and petroleum industry; and

(d) which industries, situated near the coast, have been benefitted by the expert advice of the M. C. R. S. ?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (YOJANA MANTRI TATHA VIGYAN AUR PRAD-YOGIKI VIBHAG MANTRI) (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM): (a) Yes, Sir. A Corrosion Map of India has been prepared on the basis of data collected at a number of Stations throughout India including Digha.

(b) The Corrosion Research Bureau that has prepared this map is studying this question.

(c) and (d). The data collected by the Marine Corrosion Research Station is available for use of the Oil and Natural Gas Commission (O.N.G.C.) and the industry. The O.N.G.C. have stated that the results of investigations undertaken at Digha are of practical interest to them for combating problems of corrosion in off-shore structures and sea pipelines and also in coastal installations that may have to be put up at a later date.

Setting up of Jute Mills in various States

445. SHRI S, C, SAMANTA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE (VIDESH VYAPAR MANTRI) be pleased to state :

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(a) whether the Committee appointed by Government to examine the feasibility of setting up new Jute Mills in different parts of the country has submitted its report ;

(b) if so, the main recommendations made by the Committee;

(c) the States which have demanded the setting up of Jute Mills; and

(d) whether these mills will be set up in the Public or Private or Co-perative Sectors ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (VIDESH VYAPAR MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Report is under detailed examination.

(c) Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal and the Union Territory of Tripura.

(d) This is one of the points of reference to the Committee and will be considered in detail.

Export of Nylon Tyres

446. SHRI S. RADHAKRISHNAN : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE (VIDESH VYAPAR MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) the names of countries which were importing Nylon tyres from India; and

(b) the value of such tyres exported every year?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (VIDESH VYAPAR MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) 39 countries as per statement attached are importing nylon tyres from India,

(b) The export figures are as under ;

(April-November)

1969-70	1970-71
Rs. 3.46 crores	Rs. 3 crores