

these schemes are in operation, as small and marginal farmers, apart from the financial assistance available from existing institutions like cooperatives and commercial banks. The special schemes like SFDA and MFAL are in the Central sector and are wholly financed by the Central Government.

#### Production of Hindi Books

2100. SHRI D. P. JADEJA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of Government has been invited to a news item appearing in *Hindustan Times* dated the 21st July, 1972 regarding production of Hindi Books ;

(b) the reasons for the unsatisfactory production of books ; and

(c) the total amount sanctioned for the purpose State-wise and the percentage thereof utilized for the production of books during the last two years ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI K. S. RAMASWAMY) : (a) Yes Sir

(b) The Scheme of production of books and literature in Hindi at the University level launched in 1968-69 is being implemented mainly by the State Governments.

According to the Guidelines circulated by the Central Government at the beginning of the Scheme, the State Governments were to set up autonomous/departmental Boards for executing the scheme. This took considerable time in some States. The progress during the first two years of the Fourth Five Year Plan was slow on this account. Besides, it is in the very nature of book production that upto the manuscript stage the progress is essentially latent. Expert Subject Panels have to be set up, titles have to be selected, authors/translators have to be identified and in case of translations, copyrights have to be obtained. Results show only when books are published. The initial apparent slow progress of the Scheme is attributable to this factor also.

(c) A statement showing the grants released to State Governments and the percentage of expenditure reported to have been incurred by the various Book Production Boards during the last two years is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. L.T.3286/72.]

#### Improvement of Bus Service in Delhi

2101. SHRI K. SURYANARAYANA :  
SHRI SHIV KUMAR SHASTRI :

Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether he is aware of great hardship being caused to the travelling public in Delhi for want of efficient transport ;

(b) if so, the positive measures being taken to improve the Delhi Transport Corporation Service, especially in peak hours ; and

(c) the measures being taken to introduce more Mini buses under direct operation of the Delhi Transport Corporation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, AND IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI OM MEHTA) : (a) to (c). Sustained efforts are being made to streamline the operations of the bus services of the Delhi Transport Corporation. These have started yielding results by way of reduction in the working deficits and missing of trips and better utilisation of vehicles. Steps are being taken to repair some of the old and defective buses to make them roadworthy. Orders have also been placed for the procurement of 294 additional buses including 30 Mini buses. 133 have already been received and added to the fleet. The remaining buses are also expected to be received by October 1972. It has been decided to acquire 425 additional buses during 1972-73 and 1973-74. Out of this, 250 are expected to be received by the end of the current financial year and the balance in the next financial year. With the augmentation of the fleet, the services are expected to further improve.

To meet peak hour traffic, which mostly consists of office goers, special trips have been provided from various localities to the office complexes in the mornings and in the reverse directions in the evenings.

#### Firms Manufacturing Vanaspati and Vegetable Products

2102. SHRI K. SURYANARAYANA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the names of firms manufacturing vanaspati and other vegetable products who have been granted COB Licences for fabri-

cating tin containers for packing of their products and who approached the Vanaspati Directorate of his Ministry for assistance in the allotment of tin plates ; and

(b) the action taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. SHER SINGH) : (a) The following manufacturers of vanaspati have been granted c.o.b. licences for fabricating tin containers for packing vanaspati, or for expansion of their existing capacity therefor :

(1) *New units*

- (i) M/s, Dipak Vegetable Oil Industries Ltd., Manavadar.
- (ii) M/s. Premier Vegetable Products Ltd., Jaipur.
- (iii) M/s. Kishan Chand & Co. Oil Industries Ltd., Ludhiana.
- (iv) M/s. Prabhat Solvent Extraction Industries Ltd., Manavadar.
- (v) M/s. Maharashtra Vegetable Products Ltd., Dhulia.

(2) *Expansion of existing capacity :*

- (i) M/s. Bhavnagar Vegetable Products Ltd., Bhavnagar.
- (ii) M/s. Hindustan Development Corporation Ltd., Calcutta.
- (iii) M/s. Western India Vegetable Products Ltd., Amalner.

(b) In accordance with the distribution procedures presently in force, the licensed capacity of these firms has been intimated by the Directorate of Sugar and Vanaspati to the Tinsplate Producers through the Iron and Steel Controller, Calcutta, for enabling tinsplate to be released to them accordingly.

#### **Inspection of Accounts of Sociological Society Conference**

2103. SHRI JAGANNATHRAO JOSHI : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the authorities of Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi have withheld the submission of accounts of the IXth Sociological Society Conference (held in I. I. T., Delhi in 1969) from inspection by the AGCR for the two consecutive years ; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken in regard to this irregularity ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASAN) : (a) and (b). At the request of the Indian Sociological Society, the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi, agreed to host the 9th Sociological Conference which was held at New Delhi in November, 1969. The Institute also decided to contribute a sum of Rs. 19,000/- towards the expenses of this Conference.

2. The total expenditure which the Indian Institute of Technology incurred on this conference was Rs. 29,448.36. Towards this, it had only its own contribution of Rs. 19,000/- and a grant-in-aid of Rs. 6,000 sanctioned by the Mahatma Gandhi Centenary Committee which had been passed on to it through the Indian Sociological Society. As a balance of about Rs. 4,448.36 had yet to be received from the Indian Sociological Society, the accounts could not be finalised and submitted to the AGCR.

3. On 2nd March, 1972, a sum of Rs. 5,000/- was received from the Indian Sociological Society. Thereupon, the accounts were finalised and also audited by the Internal Audit. These have now been submitted to the AGCR party which is working in the Institute.

4. It will thus be seen that the delay in submitting these accounts to the AGCR had been solely due to the fact that the necessary funds were not received from the Indian Sociological Society.

5. It is understood from the Indian Sociological Society that it has not yet been able to get finalised and audited statement of accounts from the then Head of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences who was in charge of organising this conference on its behalf. Certain other complaints have also been received against him. The Board of Governors have considered these complaints and appointed a two-man Committee to examine the matter and submit a report to the Board at an early date.

#### **Re-Routing of D. T. C. Buses through I. T. O. Bridge of Jamuna River**

2104. KUMARI KAMLA KUMARI : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Delhi Transport Corpo-