

personnel, business techniques, linking of cooperative credit with marketing, role of cooperatives in State procurement schemes and distribution of agricultural production requisites and consumer goods in rural areas and cooperative storage are broadly a reiteration of the existing policy. Recommendations requiring fresh decisions are under consideration in consultation with the State Governments.

Loans to Sugar Mills in U. P.

477. Shri Jyotirmoy Basu:
Shri A. K. Gopalan:
Shri C. K. Chakrapani:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of loans granted to the sugar mills in U. P. during the period from 1955 to 1965;

(b) the total amount of loans realised by Government so far; and

(c) whether Government have made any assessment of the repayment situation and if so, the conclusions thereon?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasahib Shinde): (a) The Government of India have not given any loans to sugar mills in Uttar Pradesh during the period from 1955 to 1965.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Road Transport Taxation Enquiry Committee

478. Shri Khagapathi Pradhani:
Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shri Hirji Bhai:

Will the Minister of Transport and Shipping be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 449 on the 22nd November, 1966 and state:

(a) whether the Road Transport Taxation Inquiry Committee has since submitted any report;

(b) if so, the main recommendations thereof; and

(c) the decision of Government thereon?

The Minister of Transport and Shipping (Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao): (a) The Committee has submitted an interim report on "Inter State Transport".

(b) The main recommendations are given in the annexed statement. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-221/67].

(c) The recommendations of the Committee are under examination, in consultation with the Planning Commission and the State Governments.

Graving Dock, Hindustan Shipyard Ltd., Visakhapatnam

479. Shri Khagapathi Pradhani:
Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shri Hirji Bhai:

Will the Minister of Transport and Shipping be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 440 on the 22nd November, 1966 and state:

(a) whether the report from the Japanese Consultants on the graving Dock Project as an adjunct of the Hindustan Shipyard Ltd., Visakhapatnam has since been examined; and

(b) if so, with what results?

The Minister of Transport and Shipping (Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao): (a) and (b). The Report has been scrutinised by the Board of Directors of Hindustan Shipyard Ltd. The Report is now under examination by the Government.

Agriculture-Oriented Education

480. Shri Hirji Bhai:
Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shri Khagapathi Pradhani:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question