

State functioning in rented buildings at present; and

(b) the amount of rent paid by Government during 1967-68?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS & COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL):**

(a) 112.

(b) Rs. 76,835/-.

#### Reserve forest in Andaman

6324. **SHRI KIRUTTINAN:** Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of area under Reserve Forest in Andaman and Nicobar Islands;

(b) the extent of area under cultivation; and

(c) the extent of area proposed to be brought under cultivation in the Island in 1968-69?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & CO-OPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE):** (a) 2,43,574 hectares.

(b) 9687.45 Hectares excluding Nicobar Islands as no survey of Nicobar Islands has yet been undertaken.

(c) 1704.94 Hectares in addition to the area already under cultivation.

#### Super Bazars

6325. **SHRI DHIRESWAR KALITA:** Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the working of the Super Bazars; and

(b) if so, the results thereof?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & CO-OPERATION (SHRI**

**M. S. GURUPADASWAMY):** (a) and (b). No specific review of the working of super bazars has been made by the Central Government. However, the performance of the super bazars is being periodically assessed. As a result, suggestions for improving the working of super bazars have been communicated to the State Governments.

#### Commodity Committees

6326. **SHRI S. C. SAMANTA:** Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Development Advisory Committees have been set up in place of Commodity Committees;

(b) if so, the composition and function of these Committees; and

(c) how far the research work done by the former Commodity Committees has been done by the new Advisory Committees?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & CO-OPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE):** (a) Yes, the following Development Councils have been set up:—

1. Indian Cotton Development Council.
2. Indian Oilseeds Development Council.
3. Indian Sugarcane Development Council.
4. Indian Jute Development Council.
5. Indian Tobacco Development Council.
6. Indian Lac Development Council.
7. Indian Coconut Development Council.
8. Indian Arecanut Development Council.