

(b) if so, what are the findings and recommendations of the Committee; and

(c) how far these recommendations have been implemented by the Khadi Commission?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Commerce (Shri Shafi Qureshi):

(a) At the instance of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission, the Institute of Economic Growth agreed to study the working of the Intensive Area Scheme. Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao, Director of the Institute in collaboration with Dr. Khusro and Dr. Lakshminarayan conducted this study and submitted an Evaluation Report.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-5598|66].

(c) The recommendations are kept in view by the Commission while implementing the Integrated Development Programme.

ताड़ गुड़ का उत्पादन

885. श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि खादी आयोग ने ताड़ गुड़ के उत्पादन का काम अखिल भारतीय सर्व सेवा संघ को सौंप दिया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो कब और उसकी शर्तें क्या हैं ;

(ग) उसके क्या परिणाम निकले ; और

(घ) 1962 से 1965 तक (राज्यवार) कितना ताड़ गुड़ पैदा किया गया तथा इस अवधि के लिए इस उद्योग की (राज्यवार) आमदनी तथा व्यय क्या है ?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय में उपरोक्तों की शर्तों की कुर्रतों : (क) से (घ). जानकारी

एकत्रित की जा रही है और यथासमय सदन की मेज पर रख दी जायगी।

Price of By-product of Hard Coke

886. Shri Ram Harkh Yadav: Will the Minister of Mines and Metals be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have de-controlled the price and distribution of by-product hard coke with effect from the 15th January, 1966;

(b) if so, whether Government have constituted a Committee in this connection; and

(c) the constitution and functions of the Committee?

The Minister of Mines and Metals (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Committee consists of the following:—

- (1) Coal Controller—Chairman.
- (2) One representative each of the following:—
 - (i) Hindustan Steel Ltd.
 - (ii) Tata Iron and Steel Co. Ltd.
 - (iii) Indian Iron and Steel Co. Ltd.
 - (iv) Durgapur Projects Ltd. (of West Bengal Government).
 - (v) The Railways.
- (3) Two representatives of Hard Coke By-product Producers' Association.

The main functions of the Committee are:—

- (i) to review the prices at which By-product hard coke is sold

by the different coke plants from time to time;

- (ii) to suggest fair and reasonable prices which the producers may charge;
- (iii) to ensure that priority consumers get adequate supply of By-product Hard Coke; and
- (iv) to consider any problems of distribution arising as a consequence of decontrol and reach satisfactory arrangements in regard to them.

Price of Surgical Catguts

887. **Shri Murlī Manohar:** Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tariff Commission held an enquiry into the price structure of the surgical catguts;

(b) if so, the result of the enquiry; and

(c) the total production of the catguts during the year 1965?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Tariff Commission's Report is still awaited.

(c) Total production of catguts during 1965 was 215,119 dozen tubes. This figure includes catguts-Plain, chromic and needled Sutures of various sizes and specifications.

विक्रमोत्सव से रोहतक तक रेलवे लाइन को बाँटना करना

889. श्री जगदीश सिंह सिद्धाण्टी: क्या रेलवे मंत्री 10 सितम्बर, 1965 के प्रतारकित प्रश्न संख्या 1883 के उत्तर के संबंध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि इस बीच किसानगंज से रोहतक रेलवे लाइन को दोहरा करने के बारे में कितनी प्रगति हुई है ?

इसके संबंध में उपांत्री (श्री रामनाथ): दिल्ली किसानगंज और मकरबस्ती के

बीच दोहरी लाइन बिछाने का काम अनुमोदित हो चुका है और इसे 1966-67 के बजट में शामिल कर लिया गया है।

Groundnut Crop

890. **Shri Lahtan Chaudhry:**
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri Himatsingka:

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the production of groundnut has declined considerably this year; and

(b) if so, the effect it will have on the oil industry?

The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) Yes, Sir. The production of groundnut during 1965-66 is expected to be lower by 20-25 per cent than that in 1964-65.

(b) It will reduce proportionately the availability of the Groundnut oil.

Banjara Community of Rajasthan

891. **Shri Shiv Charan Mathur:** Will the Minister of Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that "Banjara" community of Rajasthan is proposed to be included in the category of scheduled tribes;

(b) whether Government propose to bring a bill before Parliament to this effect; and

(c) if so, when and what interim administrative relief is proposed to be given for the uplift of this community?

The Deputy Minister in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) to (c). The