

**Economic Survey of Indian  
Agriculture**

2525. **Shri Shree Narayan Das:** Will the Minister of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Co-operation be pleased to state:

(a) whether the publication of the Economic Survey of Indian Agriculture, which used to be done annually has now been stopped;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) since when this has been stopped?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Shyam Dhar Misra): (a) No; the Combined Issue of Economic Survey of Indian Agriculture, 1963-64 and 1964-65 has recently been brought out.

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

**New Sugar Factories**

2526. **Shri Shree Narayan Das:** Will the Minister of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Co-operation be pleased to state:

(a) whether the joint East U.P. and Bihar Sugar Factories Committee submitted a representation to Government suggesting that instead of establishing new sugar factories as proposed by Government, sugar factories of East U.P. and Bihar be helped to expand their capacity and intensive sugarcane development be taken up in these areas which will achieve the purpose with less cost and without carrying more land with sugarcane cultivation;

(b) whether the same has been considered; and

(c) if so, with what result?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Shinde): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). This suggestion will receive Government's careful consideration. An equitable balance will

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be maintained between expansions of existing factories and establishment of new ones.

**Foreign Exchange Earnings of I.A.C.**

2527. **Shri Subodh Hansda:**  
**Shri S. C. Samanta:**  
**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:**  
**Shri M. L. Dwivedi:**  
**Dr. M. M. Das:**  
**Shri P. C. Borooah:**

Will the Minister of Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism be pleased to state:

(a) the impact of devaluation on I.A.C.'s earnings of foreign exchange; and

(b) the extent to which it has increased or decreased?

The Minister of Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism (Shri Sanjiva Reddy): (a) and (b). It is too early to assess the impact of devaluation on tourist traffic and consequently on I.A.C.'s earnings of foreign exchange. Assuming that the tourist traffic remains constant, the I.A.C.'s foreign exchange earnings would normally go down by about 36 per cent. However, with effect from the 15th November, 1966 the Corporation has notified fares on many of its domestic routes in foreign currency at the old rates of exchange. This will be applicable in respect of passengers booked abroad. This will prevent to a substantial extent the drop in foreign exchange. However if the number of tourists increases, both in the normal course and as a special case due to the effect of devaluation, the position may be partially or wholly retrieved depending on the actual extent of increase.

**New Air Zone in the South**

2528. **Shri Subodh Hansda:**  
**Shri S. C. Samanta:**  
**Shri P. C. Borooah:**  
**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:**