Russian Offer on Kashmir and Farakka Barrage

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SHRI RAMAVTAR SHASTRI:
SHRI SAMAR GUHA

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have received any new proposals from the Government of U. S. S. R. for negotiations with Pakistan in regard to Kashmir and Farakka Barrage Project after the visit to Mr. Kosygin to Pakistan in June, 1969 and his discussions with the President of Pakistan; and
- $\{b\}$ if so, Government's reaction thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH). (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Support Price of Raw Jute

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Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have taken any final decision about the continuance of the support price for raw jute for the year 1969-70 also:
- (b) if so, the rate at which the support price would be fixed this year and whether any decision has been taken as to the authority that would administer it;
- (c) whether Government have obtained views of Jute Buffer Stock Association and the IJMA in this regard;
- (d) whether Government are aware that the actual prices received by the cultiva-

tors are much lower than the announced price; and

(e) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to see that the cultivators get adequate return?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK': 'a') Yes, Sir.

- (b) For 1969-70 season the same floor price as for the 1968-69 i.e. Rs. 107.17 per quintal (Rs. 40/- per maund) for Assam Bottom variety at Calcutta has been fixed. The S.T.C. will be entrusted with the price support operation.
 - (c) No. Sir.
- (d) and (e). In order to ensure that the minimum support price is mentioned at Rs. 107.17 per quintal, it has been decided to entrust the responsibility for maintaining price at the support level to the State Trading Corporation. The State Trading Corporation will arrange to make purchases in primary markets through co-operatives, trade and others. In addition the Jute Commissioner will also prescribe monthly quotas for purchase of raw jute by Mills having due regard to arrivals of jute and requirements of the Mills.

Conference of Directors of Land Records and Survey of India and Pakistan

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SHRI R. K. AMIN:
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SHRI D.R. PARMAR:
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SHRI S.M. SREEDHARAN:
SHRI A. SREEDHARAN:
SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY:
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA:
SHRI D. C. SHARMA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether conferences of the Directors of Land Records and Survey of East

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Pakistan and Assam and West Bengal were held recently; and

(b) if so, the decisions taken at each conference?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) and (b). The Directors of Land Records of West Bengal and East Pakistan met at Calcutta on the 19th and 20th June, 1969; those of Assam and East Pakistan met at Gauhati from the 2nd to the 4th July, 1969. The salient points in the proceedings are as follows:—

(a) West Bengal-East Pakistan

- (i) The East Pakistan D.L.R. urged that the demarcation of Berubari Union No. 12, in accordance with the Prime Ministers' Agreement of 1958, should be taken up. The D.L.R. West Bengal, expressed his inability to take up this work as a petition filed in the Supreme Court of India had not been disposed of.
- (ii) It was agreed that the work of embedding T shaped pillars in the Rajshahi-Malda sectors should be expedited.
- (iii) The D.L.R.s agreed to consider the question of embedding telegraph posts (in preference to the existing arrangements for seasonal demarcation by bamboo cages) in the Ganges on the Murshidabad-Rajshahi sectors after a long inspection in the next field season.
 - (iv) The D.L.R. West Bengal, strongly urged that the demarcation of the Mahananda-the Borung-the Karotoa Section, in terms of the Sheikh-Swaran Singh Agreement of 1959, should be taken up simultaneously with the work on the Chilahati sector.
 - (v) The programme of field work in the next season will be drawn up at a meeting in Dacca fixed for the 6th and 7th October, 1969.

Assam-East Pakistan

Except for a small portion of the

Assameast Pakistan boundary, viz. opposite the village of Umapati and in the Lathitilla-Dumabari group of villages, the D.L.R.s have completed the field work in respect of the sectors entrusted to them. At the meeting held from the 2nd to the 4th July, 1969 the DLR discussed the question of checking and preparation of original strip mapsa. They also agreed on the field programme for the year 1969-70, which includes the relaying of missing pillars and the construction of T-shaped pillars in certain areas.

Sale of Indian Property by Pakistan

SHRI V. NARASIMHA RAO:

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA:

SHRI ONKAR SINGH: SHRI SHARDA NAND: SHRI RAM SINGH AYARWAL: SHRI RAM CHARAN: DR. RANEN SEN: SHRI C. JANARDHANAN: SHRI N.K.P. SALVE: SHR1 J. M. BISWAS: SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: SHRI JAGESHWAR YADAV: SHR' MAHANT DIGVIJAI NATH: SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU: SHRI G.C. NAIK: SHRI RAM AVTAR SHARMA: SHRI N. R. LASKAR: SHRI RAMACHANDRA VEER-APPA: SHRI D. AMAT: SHRI PRAKASH VIR SHASTRI: SHRI SHIV KUMAR SHASTRI: SHRI J. SUNDER LAL: SHRI NARAIN SWARUP SHARMA: SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK: SHRI J. K. CHOUDHARY: SHRIR. BARUA: SHRI RAM SWARUP VIDYAR-THI: SHRI OM PARKASH TYAGI: YASHWANT SINGH

KUSHWAH:

SHRI BHARAT SINGH

CHAUHAN: SHRI R.R. SINGH DEO:

SHRI Y.A. PRASAD:

SHRI SAMAR GUHA:

KACHWAI:

SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA: SHRI HUKAM CHAND