

साख और नागरिक पूर्ति मन्त्रालय के राज्य मन्त्री (श्री भागवत भा. राजाद) : (क) जी, नहीं। वनस्पति का उत्पादन वास्तव में वनस्पति तेल उत्पाद नियंत्रण आदेश 1947 के उपबन्धों द्वारा शासित होता है तथा वनस्पति के विनिर्माण सम्बन्धी मानक वनस्पति तेल उत्पाद (गुणवत्ता का मानक) आदेश, 1975 में विनिर्दिष्ट है। इसलिए वनस्पति का विनिर्माण इन आदेशों में विनिर्दिष्ट विशिष्टियों के अनुरूप किया जाता है।

(ख) और (ग) : प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

**FAO Assistance for Research and Development  
in Jute Production**

\*379. SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the growth of export of Jute goods has been continuously decreasing;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal to intensify the research and development efforts in conjunction with the Food and Agriculture Organisation and other international institutions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir. India's export of Jute goods has registered a fall during the last few years.

(b) India's exports of jute goods have come down during recent years on account of severe competition from synthetic substitutes and other jute exporting countries as well as on account of prolonged recession in developed countries. The total quantum of exports has come down from 4.40 lakh

metric tonnes in 1980-81 to 4.05 lakh metric tonnes in 1981-82 and 3.30 lakh metric tonnes in 1982-83. The exports during 1983-84 have also suffered as a result of a prolonged bargemen's strike at Calcutta port this year.

(c) and (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

**Mango Orchards becoming Sick**

\*380. SHRI MOHD. ASRAR AHMAD :

SHRI K. A. SWAMI :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the country's mango plantations are being hit by a mysterious disease and the mango orchards are becoming sick and causing huge losses to the mango growers; and

(b) if so, whether any special scientific researches are being undertaken to tackle the problem ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir. The mango plantations suffer from malformation disease. The mango orchards particularly in north-west India suffer crop losses if proper control measures are not taken by the mango growers.

(b) Scientific research is being undertaken under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bangalore and Central Mango Research Station, Lucknow to tackle this problem through a multi-disciplinary approach.

The malady is of complex nature. However, the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi has developed remedial measures for improving the productivity of the trees rendered unproductive by 'malformation'. The treatment consisting of