

**Proposal to Shift Safdarjung Airport, Delhi**

\*532 SHRI RAM BHAGAT PASWAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to shift Safdarjung Airport in Delhi including the Flying Club operating at Safdarjung; and

(b) if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise

**Export of Coffee during 1972-75**

\*533 SHRI G Y KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of coffee sold for export during 1971-72 and 1972-73;

(b) the total amount annually granted by the Central Government for the welfare of the employees attached to this industry, and

(c) the efforts made by Government to increase investment on research and on development to take advantage of the internal and external coffee managements?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A C. GEORGE): (a) The total quantity of coffee sold for export during 1971-72 and 1972-73 was 41,554 tonnes and 41,775 tonnes, respectively.

(b) An amount of Rs. 1,80,000 was sanctioned during 1971-72 and an amount of Rs. 2,00,000 sanctioned during 1972-73 for welfare of the employees of coffee industry.

(c) The Research Department of the Coffee Board has been giving increasing attention to problems relating specifically to the objectives of increasing the productivity in coffee plantations and improving the quality of the produce. The extension service of the Board carries the result of this research to the planters for practical application in the field. Various schemes for the development of the coffee industry under which financial assistance is extended to growers for intensive cultivation, replanting, extension of area under coffee etc. are also being administered by the Board. The funds released by Government for outlay on these research and development activities are progressively on the increase

**Export of Mica**

\*534 DR MAHIPATRAY MEHTA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of export of mica during 1972-73,

(b) the names of the countries to which it was exported; and

(c) the names of agencies which handled this export?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A C. GEORGE): (a) The value of mica, all sorts, exported during 1972-73 (upto December, 1973) is Rs. 16 43 crores.

(b) Austria, Australia, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, France, G.D.R., West Germany, Hongkong, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Korea, Lebanon, Nether Lands, Philippines, Poland, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, United Kingdom, U.S.A., U.S.S.R. and Morocco.

(c) M.M.T.C. handled exports of processed mica while export of fabricated mica was made by the private sector.