

being released and that is for the purpose of maintaining their transmission systems and the generators.

श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय : मैंने यह पूछा था कि कितना उन्होंने मांगा था और कितना आपने दिया है—पहले इस प्रश्न का उत्तर आ जाये तो मैं दूसरा प्रश्न करूँ।

DR. K. L. RAO : As I have submitted, the total amount is fixed for five years and it is about Rs. 42 crores, out of which Rs. 39½ crores is for the DESU. It will be spread over five years. It is likely that in the course of discussions they may have asked for some thing more, but I am not aware of that. The Planning Commission has fixed the amount for this year at Rs. 6.95 crores. That is more or less adequate.

श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय : मंत्री महोदय ने इस वक्तव्य में बताया है कि हमने जो पहले लोन दिया था उस पर साढ़े तीन प्रतिशत से लेकर 6 प्रतिशत तक का ब्याज लिया है और अब 6 प्रतिशत का ब्याज निश्चित किया है तो मैं आपके माध्यम से सरकार से जानना चाहता हूँ कि यह जो ब्याज की दर बढ़ाई गई है उसका क्या कारण है और पहले की दरों पर आप लोन क्यों नहीं दे रहे हैं ?

DR. K. L. RAO : The rates of interest vary from time to time. In this particular case, the loans are given at the rate of 8½ per cent interest, and for ready payment, a rebate of 2½ percent is allowed and that is how 6 percent comes in. If the DESU does not pay in time, they have got to pay much higher rates of interest.

श्री एच० के० एल० नगत : मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि जो लोन दिया गया है उसकी बापसी सेन्ट्रल गवर्नमेंट को डेसू सेड्यूल के मुताबिक कर रही है या नहीं ?

DR. K. L. RAO : As regards the recovery of these loans, these loans are repayable in 15 years. In the first year only the interest is payable and the DESU has been making payments.

Creation of a Zonal or Divisional Headquarters for Southern Railway at Bangalore

*1095. SHRI DHARMARAO AFZAL-PURKAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether representations have been received by his Ministry regarding the creation of a Zonal or Divisional Headquarters of the Southern Railway in Bangalore keeping in view the industrial importance of the city ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ;

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) No representation of creating the Zonal Headquarters of the Southern Railway at Bangalore has been received.

However, suggestions for setting up an additional divisional headquarters of the Southern Railway at Bangalore have been received.

(b) The creation of an additional divisional headquarters at Bangalore, besides the one at Mysore is not considered justifiable.

SHRI K. MALLANNA : Is there any proposal to convert from metre gauge to broad gauge the lines from Bangalore to Miraj and Bangalore to Guntakal and to introduce electrification from Madras to Bangalore, in view of the industrial importance of Bangalore ?

SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA : The question does not arise out of the original question.

SHRI K. MALLANNA : In view of the industrial importance of Bangalore, it becomes relevant.

SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA : Though the two hon. members are trying to help me because that is my constituency, still I have to adhere strictly to the original question. The point he is making does not come within that question.

Expansion of Kerala Ceramics Limited Kundara

*1096. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPA : SHRIMATI BHARGAVI THAN-KAPPAN :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Kerala Government has