

टैक्स देने के बाद तेल कम्पनियाँ अपने लाभों में से छान राशि भेजने के हकदार है। इसके अतिरिक्त सैसर्स बर्मा आयल कम्पनी ने इंग्लिस्तान (U.K.) को 1.26 करोड़ रुपये भेजा था, जो उसके बायल इण्डिया लिमिटेड से सम्बन्धित लाभांश का शेयर था।

जहाँ तक रसायन उद्योग का सम्बन्ध है इसी प्रकार की सूचना तत्पर उपलब्ध नहीं है।

(घ) सूचना प्राप्त नहीं है।

AID INDIA CONSORTIUM MEETING HELD IN PARIS

*382. SHRI D. N. PATODIA :
SHRI MANIBHAI J. PATEL :
SHRI R. BARUA :
SHRI RAGUVIR SINGH SHASTRI :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a session of the Aid India Consortium was held in Paris on the 13th and 14th November, 1967 to assess India's foreign aid requirements for 1968-69;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof and whether the recommendations made by the Consortium are considered adequate for India's requirement;

(c) the manner in which the Consortium has finally agreed to defer the repayment of loans falling due in the current year; and

(d) whether any suggestions have been made as to the manner and type in which foreign aid received by India might be invested to produce quick results ?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI MORARJI DESAI) : (a) and (b). The Aid India Consortium Meeting which was held in Paris on 13th and 14th November, 1967, *inter alia* reviewed, in a preliminary way the probable overall requirements for new non-project and project assistance during the year 1968-69. On the basis of an analysis prepared by the World Bank, members concluded that non-project requirements would continue at a relatively

high level and that there would be a need for larger commitments of project aid than in the recent past. In the absence of a concrete idea of the aid that may be available, its adequacy cannot be judged.

(c) While certain member-countries of the Consortium have already agreed to a limited extent of debt relief, the Consortium has not taken a final decision regarding debt relief. A study of this question is being made on behalf of the World Bank and the Consortium is expected to consider the matter again early next year.

(d) A major part of the foreign aid now being received by us is mainly in non-project form and is used, in consultation with the Consortium Members, to import fertilizers and other agricultural inputs and also components, raw materials and spare parts for industrial production and infra-structure activity. Thus the stress is already on use for productive purposes yielding quick results.

DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX IN HALDIA

*383. DR. RANEN SEN :
SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have discussed any plan with the West Bengal Minister recently on the development of an Industrial Complex in Haldia; and

(b) if so, the nature of the plan ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI ASOKA MEHTA) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

OLD AGE PENSION SCHEME

384. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether old age pension scheme is in existence in any of the States or Union Territories;

(b) if so, the names of the States and Union Territories; and

(c) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor and the action taken to put through such a scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI PHULRENU GUHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Madras, Mysore, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal and Union Territories of Chandigarh and Himachal Pradesh.

(c) Does not arise.

FOREIGN BALANCES

*385. SHRI YAJNA DATT SHARMA :

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been a sharp decline in the foreign balances held by the Government of India; and

(b) if so, to what extent and the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI MORARJI DESAI) : (a) and (b). There has been some decline. India's foreign exchange reserves (excluding Gold valued at Rs. 182.52 crores—\$243.4 million) which stood at Rs. 271.30 crores (\$ 361.7 million) on 18th November, 1966, declined to Rs. 254.99 crores (\$340.0 million), on 17th November, 1967. Main reasons for this decline have been heavy debt servicing payments and large outlay on foodgrains imports.

मिट्टी के तेल का उत्पादन

*386. श्री महाराज सिंह भारती : क्या पेट्रोलियम और रसायन मंत्रों यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश में मिट्टी के तेल की जितनी उत्पादन-क्षमता है उसका पूर्ण उपयोग नहीं किया जा रहा है तथा मिट्टी के तेल का आयात किया जा रहा है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि आयातित मिट्टी का तेल देशी मिट्टी के तेल की तुलना में बढ़िया है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) विदेशी मुद्रा की बचत करने तथा देश में उपलब्ध उत्पादन-क्षमता का पूर्ण उपयोग करने के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

पेट्रोलियम और रसायन तथा समाज कल्याण मंत्री (श्री अशोक मेहता) : (क) जी नहीं। क्षमता का पूरा हद तक इस्तेमाल किया जाता है। लेकिन यह क्षमता इस समय की मांग के मुकाबले के कम है; अतः कमी को पूरा करने के लिए आयात करना पड़ता है।

(ख) जी नहीं।

(ग) और (घ). प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

CONFERENCE OF BANKERS ON SOCIAL CONTROL ON BANKS

*387. SHRI MARANDI :

SHRI D. C. SHARMA :

SHRI PRAKASH VIR SHASTRI :

SHRI RAM AVTAR SHARMA :

SHRI MAHANT DIGVIJAY NATH :

DR. SURYA PRAKASH PURI :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that he called for a Conference of Bankers in Bombay on the 9th November, 1967 to discuss Government scheme of social control on banks; and

(b) if so, the outcome of the discussion held?