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Modern Bakeries (India) Limited

*415. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRI-CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) when was the Modern Bakeries (India) Limited set up and what are its aims and objects ;

(b) whether the targets of setting up units according to project report and their production and development targets have been achieved and if so when and how and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any foreign collaboration was involved in the setting up of the Company and if so, the names of collaborators, and how much foreign exchange as aid was received ;

(d) what items the Company is producing at present and the extent of production and whether these products are upto international standard;

(e) figures of present production and sale; and

(f) whether there are any difficulties with which the Company is faced at present and if so, how Government propose to remove them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) The Modern Bakeries (India) Limited was registered on 1.10.1965 with the main object of providing hygienically prepared enriched bread of standard quality to the masses at reasonable price.

(b) First phase comprised of setting up of six bakeries being received as gift from Australia under the Colombo Plan-out of them 5 at Ahmedabad, Bombay, Cochin, Delhi and Madras have already been com-Units at missioned and the remaining be Calcutta is expected to commissioned in 1969. In the Second phase 3 Units are to be set up at Hyderabad, Kanpur and Bangalore. These are also expected to go into production during 1969.

(c) No foreign collaboration is involved although basic equipment and technical assistance are being made available free of cost by Australia and Canada under the Colombo Plan. (d) The Company is at present producing only white bread. Most countries have their own standards for bread. The company's bread conforms to the Indian standard specification.

(c) About 2.3 million loaves per month.

(f) No, Sir.

Sugar Production

*416. SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR : SHRI BISHWANATH ROY : SHRI BASUMATARI :

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total estimated quantity of sugar produced in 1967-68 as compared to last year; and

(b) whether the price of sugar has correspondingly declined ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) The production of sugar during 1967-68 was 22.48 lakh tonnes, as against 21.15 lakh tonnes during 1966-67.

(b) The controlled price of sugar for 1967-68 as compared to 1966-67 was lower in some cases and higher in others, depending upon the working results of the factories in the respective regions.

डाक तथा तार विमान में नई मतीं

#417. भी प्रकास बीर सास्त्री : भी सिव कुनार सास्त्री : भी एत॰ बार॰ दानानी :

क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की इत्या करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या 19 सितम्बर, 1968 को हुई हड़ताल के सम्बन्ध में डाक घौर तार विधाग से मुग्रत्तल किये गये घषवा सेवा से हटाये गये कर्मचारियों का स्थान केने के लिये कोई नई मर्ती की गई है;

(ब) उसके परिखामस्वरूप डाक तथा तार