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नहर में सिंचाई की 60% की निर्धारित वार्षिक गहनता के प्रति बस्तुतः 90% गहनता की उप-लब्धि हुई है। अधिक उपज वाले बीजों को प्रयोग में लाने और उवंरकों का व्यापक प्रयोग करने से पानी की मांग भी बढ़ गई है। इस क्षेत्र की बढ़ी हुई मांगो को, विशेषतः रवी के दौरान, इस समय पांग पर नियमाधीन व्यास बांघ के पूरा हो जाने के पश्चात् ही पूरा किया जा सकता है।

## Demands made by Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu in Regard to Fourth Plan

\*900. SHRI MURASOLI MARAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has put forward three demands for the acceptance of the Fourth Plan;

(b) if so, what are they; and

(c) the reaction of the Central Government thereto ?

THE PRIME MINISTER MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Three demands made by the Chief Minister in the last meeting of the National Development Council are :

- (i) Location of steel plant at Salem;
- (ii) Allocation to the State Government out of special assistance of Rs. 800-900 crores to the States ; and
- (iii) Allocation to the State out of Rs. 104 crores for the Fourth Plan period to create job opportunities in the drough affected areas.

(c) The request of the Chief Minister will be kept in view while taking decisions on the location of new steel plants with reference to all relevant considerations. As regards special assistance, this will be made available to only those States which are expected to have a non-Plan gap in resources during the Fourth Plan period; Tamil Nadu is not one of such States. The programme to create job opportunities in drought affected areas is intended to be taken up in select districts. The complete list has not yet been finalised.

## Export of Diamonds

5526. SHRI N. R. DEOGHARE : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the quantities of diamonds exported to each country during the year 1969-70;

(b) the amount of foreign exchange earned on this account; and

(c) the amount of foreign exchange expected to be earned during the present year ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) A statement is enclosed.

(b) The total amount of foreign exchange earned on this account is Rs. 21,19,59,000 during 1969-70 (upto December, 1969).

(c) The amount of foreign exchange expected to be earned during 1969-70 are in the vicinity of Rs. 28 crores.

## STATEMENT

Export of Diamonds during 1969-70 (upto Dec. '69)

Value in Rs. '000'

. No. Description	19 (upto I	69-70 Dec.'69)
1 Industrial Diamonds (Incl. Bort)		
2 Diamonds (other than dustrial diamonds) not or strung; cut	In- set	
Israel Belgium Japan Hongkong . Netherlands . Switzerland . U.K U.S.A Other countries . Total : (2) .	•	3328 125648 2797 31071 2665 5264 4694 12432 17080 6015 210994
3 Diamonds (other than dustrial diamonds) not or strung ; uncut Hongkong Japan . Spain . Other countries Total : (3) .	In-	316 491 104 54 965
Grand Total(1 to 3)		211959