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may be attributed, in general terms, to decline in production, widespread drought in 1979, transport bottleneck and seasonality factor.

Import and Export of Goods

1721. PROF. RAMLAL PARIKH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state what is the quantity and value of the country-wise and commodiy-wise export and import of goods in the first half of the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KHURSHED ALAM KHAN): Country-wise and Commodity-wise details of official Export/Import statistics for the first half of the current financial year are not yet available.

Export of Commodities Manufactured in Gujarat

1722. PROF. RAMLAL PARIKH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) what are the names of commodities produced and manufactured in Gujarat which were exported in 1979-80 and 1980-81 and to which coutries;
- (b) what was the quantity and value of these commodities exported country-wise from Gujarat during the same period;
- (c) whether the existing incentives have proved to be inadequate for the promotion of exports of these commodities;
- (d) if so, what are the measures under the consideration of Government to boost their exports; and
- (e) what is the contribution of the export of these commodities m national foreign exchange earnings in percentage as well as in amounts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KHURSHED ALAM KHAN): (a) to (e) Official statistics of India's Export/Import Trade are not compiled and published on State-wise basis and hence separate statistics of exports from State of Gujarat are not available.

1723. [Transferred to the 11th December, 1980.]

Production of vegetable oil in Cooperative sector in Assam

1724. SHRI AJIT KUMAR SHAR MA: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a factory to produce vegetable oil has been started in Cooperative Sector in Assam by the STATFED;
 and
- (b) if so, by when the factory is likely to commence production?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE I MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRi BRAJMOHAN MOHANTY): (a) and (h) A factory to produce Vanaspati is under installation by the Assam State Cooperative Marketing and Consumers Federation Ltd. (STATFED), and according to the progress reported by the latter, it is scheduled to commence production in September, 1981.

कुद्रेमुख लौह ग्रयस्क परियोजना के बारे में ईरान के साथ व्यापार समझौते में परिवर्तन

1725. श्री नागेश्वर प्रसाद शाही: क्या इस्पात श्रोर खान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि सितम्बर, 1980 में वित्तमंत्री द्वारा ईरान यात्रा के अवसर पर हुई बातचीत के आधार पर ईरान के साथ कुद्रेमुख परियोजना के बारे में पहले हस्ता-क्षरित व्यापार समझौते में किए जाने वाले प्रस्तावित परिवर्तनों के संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है?