

about 22% of total world consumption of tea. Nearly 80% of the tea produced is consumed within India. India is also the fourth largest tea exporter in the world.

(b) Indian Trade Classification - Harmonized System (ITC HS) Codes for tea are separately available for Green tea and/or Black tea. There is no separate ITC HS Code for Darjeeling tea.

(c) Tea Board under the Darjeeling Certification Trade Mark regime gives licences for use of Darjeeling logo and word to eligible producers, exporters, packers, importers in India and in countries other than India. No other entity can use the logo/word 'Darjeeling'.

(d) Does not arise.

#### **Cashew Development Board at Kollam**

1027. SHRI K.N. BALAGOPAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state the progress achieved in setting up a Cashew Development Board at Kollam and the tasks that are proposed to be assigned to the Board?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): A decision on setting up of Cashew Board will be taken after detailed deliberations by the Planning Commission with stake holder departments like Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture and Department of Commerce.

#### **Promotion of salt industries in Gujarat**

1028. SHRI NATUJI HALAJI THAKOR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian salt industry is lagging behind other countries of the world in the production and manufacturing of iodized edible salt;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and Government's reaction thereto;

(c) the share of Gujarat salt industries in the total manufacturing and production of salt in the world; and

(d) the steps taken by Government in this regard to promote salt industries in Gujarat?