

then naturally the necessary adjustments will be made. The aim at the end of this ten-year period is to see that there is one single rate all over the country, and that one single rate will apply to Mysore also. The same category of load in this country must have the same rate. I expect that it will not be so soon today, but it will be the case after ten or fifteen years.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR PUNJAB, HARYANA AND HIMACHAL PRADESH

*355. SHRI M. K. MOHTA :

DR. BHAI MAHAVIR :

DR. SALIG RAM :

SHRI KRISHAN KANT :

SHRI RAJENDRA PRATAP
SINHA :

SHRI ARJUN ARORA :

SHRI M. V. BHADRAM :

SHRI BHOLA PRASAD :

SHRI SURAJ PRASAD :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government proposes to appoint a Boundary Commission for Punjab, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh ;

(b) if so, whether any decision has been taken in this regard; and

(c) the details thereof and when the Commission is likely to submit its report ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) to (c) Government have already announced their intention to appoint such a Commission. Discussions are being held with the concerned Chief Ministers. As the Commission has not yet been set up, it is not possible at this stage to indicate the time by which it is likely to submit its report.

DISPLAY OF INDIAN GEMS AT EXPO-70 BY N.M.D.C.

*356. SHRI K. C. PANDA :

SHRI M. K. MOHTA :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Mineral Development Corporation displayed Indian gems at the EXPO-70 and entertained certain inquiries at 20 per cent below the prices which the exporters have been realising at present and that the Indian trade has strongly protested against this action of the Corporation;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of Government in regard to the protest lodged by the trade ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK) : (a) to (c) National Mineral Development Corporation, during its participation in Expo '70, had received certain trade enquiries about supply of diamonds. These enquiries were passed on by NMDC to the Indian exporters, for further necessary direct negotiation between the concerned parties, about prices, delivery etc.

TAKE-OVER OF RAW JUTE TRADE

*357. DR. B. N. ANTANI :

SHRI K. C. PANDA :

Will the MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for taking over the entire trade in raw jute; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) : (a) and (b) The Government have under consideration a proposal to set up a public sector Corporation for trading in raw jute and to look after the interest of the jute growers.