

गया इसमें एक पाई भी खर्च नहीं हुई। क्या वह इस बात की जांच कराएंगे कि वह कौन था जिसने यह स्टेटमेंट दिया। क्या यह फैक्ट है कि इसके बाद भी उन्हीं को 40 लाख रुपये के फारेन एक्सचेंज की रिकमंडेशन की गई नाइलोन टाप्स इम्पोर्ट करने की। लेकिन फाइनांस मिनिस्ट्री ने उसको टर्न डाऊन कर दिया ?]

श्री मनुभाई शाह : वह सब इन्वॉयरी की जाएगी। आप लिख कर दीजिए, ऐसे जवानी तो नहीं कर सकता। मुझे पता नहीं किसने इम्पोर्ट किया, डिफेंस मिनिस्ट्री ने किया या किसी और ने किया। सारी चीज की नालेज जितनी मेम्बर साहब को है, हमको है नहीं। अगर लिख भेजें तो सारी तहकीकात करेंगे। मैं नहीं करूंगा तो दूसरी मिनिस्ट्री को भेज दूंगा और आपको रिजल्ट बता दूंगा।

*75. [The questioner (Thakur Bhanu Pratap Singh) was absent. For answer, vide cols. 409-410 infra.]

EXPORT OF COFFEE

•76. SHRI JAGAT NARAIN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of coffee expected to be exported during the year 1966-67; and

(b) the amount of foreign exchange likely to be earned by such export?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI M. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) About 26,800 tonnes.

(b) About Rs. 10-7 crores.

श्री जगत नारायण : क्या वजीर साहब बतलायेंगे कि 1965-66 में ज्यादा काफी एक्सपोर्ट होगी या कम होगी और एक्सचेंज कम मिलेगा या ज्यादा मिलेगा ?

श्री एम० शफी कुरेशी : जहां तक हमारे अन्दाजे का ताल्लुक है, 1965-66 साल में 63,000 टन के करीब पैदावार होगी।

श्री जगत नारायण : मैंने एक्सपोर्ट का पूछा है।

श्री एम० शफी कुरेशी : 26,800 टन मैंने आपसे अर्ज किया।

SHRI A. D. MANI: May I ask the Minister to give us information about the countries which are going to buy Indian coffee?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: There is an International Coffee Agreement and what are called the quota countries. Barring the 11 Socialist countries and three countries of Africa, all the rest are the Members. So practically all over the globe we are exporting.

श्री जगत नारायण : क्या वजीर साहब बतलायेंगे कि काफी प्रोग्रेस को एक्सचेंज में ज्यादा प्राप्ति के लिए हिन्द सरकार क्या सहूलियतें दे रही हैं ? कौन-कौन सी इमदाद देती है इसके मुताबिक बतलाएंगे ?

श्री मनुभाई शाह : 1961-62 में 46,000 टन का प्रोडक्शन था। सारी जितनी स्कीमें हाउस ने मंजूर की और गवर्नमेंट ने बनाई, उनसे 1963-64 में 70,000 टन का प्रोडक्शन हुआ। प्रोडक्शन की बढ़ती और इजाफा होता चला जाए, ऐसी स्कीमें चल रही हैं।

SHRI MULKA GOVINDA REDDY: In view of the fact that there is a shortage of coffee production this year and that the prices are shooting up, will the Government think of revising the quota system?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: No, Sir. We are equally short of foreign exchange and we are straining every

nerve to see that whatever we can spare for export, we should allow for export. Even so, the quota fixed for this year is very realistic.

SHRI P. K. KUMARAN: The Minister just now said that there is a world agreement for export of coffee. May I know what portion of the coffee is being exported from India and how it compares, for example, with the export quota of Brazil?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: Its world export is tremendous, 4-5 million tonnes. So, I would rather be ashamed to compare the Indian figure at all. The percentage can be worked out by the hon. Member.

SHRI R. S. KHANDEKAR: The hon. Minister stated that the Socialist countries and three African countries do not buy coffee from us. What steps is the Government going to take to export coffee to these countries?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: They are non-quota countries, that is, the East European countries, the Communist countries, with which we have bilateral agreements, and they are non-signing members. We are free to sell but we have really no coffee. Unless coffee production goes up, how are we to sell it to non-quota countries?

SHRI D. L. SEN GUPTA: In view of the fact that coffee earns foreign exchange, is there any proposal before the Government to ban coffee consumption in the country so that more foreign exchange can be earned by export of coffee?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: If the hon. Member can suggest that, we will certainly look into it.

*77. [*The questioner (Shrimati Sarla Bhadauria) was absent. For answer, vide cols. 410-411 infra.*]

*78. [*The questioner (Shri R. K. Bhuwalka) was absent. For answer, vide col. 411 infra.*]

*79. [*The questioner (Shri Niren Ghosh) was absent. For answer, vide cols. 411—413 infra.*]

*80. [*Transferred to the 25th February, 1966.*]

*81. [*The questioner (Shri Ram Sahai) was absent. For answer, vide cols. 413-414 infra.*]

STEEL PLANT AT SALEM

*82. SHRI K. S. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of IRON AND STEEL be pleased to state whether the Japanese team of technicians have submitted their report on the feasibility of setting up a steel plant at Salem and if so, whether they concur with the earlier report of Messrs Dastur & Co.?

THE MINISTER OF IRON AND STEEL (SHRI T. N. SINGH): The report of the Japanese team has not been received by the Government so far.

SHRI K. S. RAMASWAMY: When is it expected to be received?

SHRI T. N. SINGH: It should be available. They are working on it and I think it should be available in the near future.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

SHORTAGE OF WAGONS FOR MOVEMENT OF COAL

*66. SHRI D. THENGARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there was shortage of wagons for movement of coal during the last three months for which some of the States had to face difficult situation; and