

**EXPORT OF SUGAR**

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TALWAR : SHRI U. S. DUGAL:  
SHRI M. D. NARAYAN .

Will the Minister of FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION be pleased to state the quantity of sugar that has been exported during May, June and July, 1966?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHDJ SHINDB) : The following quantities of sugar have been exported during the months of May, June and July 1966 :—

	(Lakh tonnes)
May .. .. .	0.66
June .. .. .	0.58
July (upto 27-7-66)	0.35
<b>TOTAL :</b>	<b>1.59</b>

**EARTHQUAKES SHOCKS**

236. SHRI N. R. M. SWAMY: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT, AVIATION, SHIPPING AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) what were the causes of the earthquake shocks felt in a number of towns in North India on the 27th June, 1966;

(b) whether any data have been collected to adopt measures to prevent such tremors; and

(c) whether any study has been made with the help of Japanese authorities in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT, AVIATION, SHIPPING AND TOURISM (SHRI N. SANJIVA REDDY) : (a) The cause of the earthquakes is attributed to the slipping or fracture of rock masses along faults in the epicentral region.

(b) and (c) No measures for the prevention or minimising of the frequency of earthquakes have yet been devised, either in Japan or elsewhere.

**LOAN TO CENTRAL CO-OPERATIVE BANK IN MADHYA PRADESH**

237. RAJA SHANKAR PRATAP SINGH : Will the Minister of FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND

CO-OPERATION be pleased to state whether any decision has been taken by the Reserve Bank of India on the recommendation of the Government of Madhya Pradesh for grant of a loan amounting to Rs. 328.50 lakhs to the Central Co-operative Bank in Madhya Pradesh from the National Agricultural Credit Stabilisation Fund?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI S. D. MISRA) : Yea, Sir. The Reserve Bank of India has sanctioned from the National Agricultural Credit Stabilisation Fund Rs. 197.13 lakhs to the Madhya Pradesh State Co-operative Bank to supplement the funds available in the State Co-operative Bank's Stabilisation Fund for conversion of the short term dues of 27 Central Co-operative Banks into medium term loans.

**WITHDRAWAL OF JEEPS FROM B.D.Os.**

238, SHRI G. MURAHARI : Will the Minister of FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION be pleased to state whether any instructions have been issued by Government for the withdrawal of all jeeps from the Block Development Offices before the General Elections ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO OPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : A circular letter was sent to all the Governments in April, 1965 suggesting that during General Elections, Block jeeps should be withdrawn from the date of nomination till the date of poll, during which period the jeeps would be under the custody and control of the District Collector who would make use of them only for election duty.

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**REFERENCE TO REPORTED STRIKE NOTICE BY I.A.C. PILOTS**

SHRI BIREN ROY (West Bengal): on a point of information. The hon. Minister of Aviation is here. Today I understand that a strike notice has been given by I.A.C. pilots.

MR. CHAIRMAN : You may raise that later.