

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: May I know, Sir, what is your direction regarding the requests made by the questioner that the answer should be in Hindi?

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: If the hon. Minister does not know Hindi, how can I compel him to do it?

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: Either the hon. Minister should be here to answer in Hindi, or some arrangement should be made so that the question is translated

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: At least the objection should be taken in Hindi.

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: Because I speak in English, it should not be taken that.....

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Anyway, the Chair does not find any difficulty.

PAYMENT OF SUGAR-CANE PRICES BY MILLS TO CANE GROWERS

*485. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount which still remains to be paid by the sugar factories to cane growers in (i) Uttar Pradesh, (ii) Bihar, (iii) Madras, (iv) Patiala and East Punjab States Union and (v) Mysore for the purchases of sugar-cane made during the last year; and

(b) what was the total price of sugar-cane paid by the factories to the cane growers during that year?

THE MINISTER FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAFI AHMAD KIDWAI): (a) and (b). A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 134.]

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Were any investigations carried out into the affairs of any mills in respect of the accumulation of arrears?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: I want notice of the question, because it is within the purview of the State Governments. We are not aware of it.

श्री टी० पाण्डे : क्या मंत्री महोदय बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि उत्तर प्रदेश तथा बिहार में रुपया न मिलने के कारण किसानों को कितनी दिक्कत हो रही है, और क्या इसके लिए कोई हल जल्दी नहीं निकाला जा सकता है ?

डा० पी० एस० देशमुख : यह बात हम अच्छी तरह से जानते हैं कि किसानों को दिक्कतें आती हैं और हम जल्द से जल्द पेमेंट करने की कोशिश करते हैं ।

श्री टी० पाण्डे : दूसरा निवेदन मेरा यह है कि जब आप किसानों से ईख ले लेते हैं और समय पर दाम नहीं देते हैं, क्या मंत्री महोदय बतान की कृपा करेंगे कि वे लगान कहां से देंगे, भोजन और वस्त्र कहां से खरीदेंगे, अपने बच्चों को कहां से पढ़ाएंगे, लिखाएंगे, यह सब खर्च कैसे करेंगे ?

डा० पी० एस० देशमुख : जैसा कि मैं पहले जिक्र कर चुका हूं ये दिक्कतें ऐसी हैं जिन्हें हम जानते हैं और कोशिश करते हैं कि आयांदा ये दिक्कतें न पैदा हों ।

श्री एच० पी० सक्सेना : क्या यह सही है कि सरकार उन शुगर मिल ओनर्स को तो रुपया देने में, पेमेंट करने के लिए, बड़ी उतावली कर रही है, बड़ा इंतजाम कर रही है ?

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It is a matter for the State Government to do.

SHRI H. P. SAKSENA: I beg your pardon, Sir.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It is a matter for the State Government.

श्री कन्हैयालाल डी० बंध : क्या मंत्री महोदय बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि यह रुपया किस उद्देश्य से इन कारखाने वालों को दिया जा रहा है ?

डॉ० पी० एस० बेशमुख : कारखाने वालों को हम कुछ नहीं देते हैं । यह जिक्र तो केनोअरों के रुपयों का है ।

AERODROME FOR KURNOOL

*486. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) whether a site has been selected for the construction of an aerodrome at Kurnool; if so by whom; and

(b) when the air services to Kurnool will be started?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): (a) Three sites were provisionally selected by the Government of Andhra and these were inspected by the Civil Aviation authorities, who have recommended one of them about 3 miles West of Kurnool town, as the most suitable. A decision on the construction of a permanent aerodrome at Kurnool will however depend largely on whether Kurnool will be the permanent capital of Andhra State.

(b) The matter will be considered after an aerodrome has been constructed at Kurnool.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Am I to take it that in case Kurnool is not going to be the permanent capital of Andhra, there will be no airfield there?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: In accordance with our priority.....

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It follows, Mr. Valiulla.

SHRI B. C. GHOSE: The Minister was going to give some reply. We would like to have it.

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: In accordance with the priority we had fixed for the construction of aerodromes a long time ago, we gave first priority to capitals of States, and therefore, if Kurnool does not happen to be the permanent capital of Andhra, then the town which happens to be the capital will be connected by air.

SHRI H. P. SAKSENA: Is not Kurnool entitled to an aerodrome on its own merits?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: I have already said that that depends upon the priorities we have fixed.

SHRI H. C. DASAPPA: Does not Kurnool lie on the way from Bangalore to Hyderabad?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: For that matter, many other towns also lie on the way from Bangalore to Hyderabad or Delhi to Madras just like Vijayawada.

SHRIMATI PARVATHI KRISHNAN: Has there been any representation about the resumption of the service between Hyderabad and Vijayawada?

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: That is a different question.

EXPORT PROMOTION OF TOBACCO

*487. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 397 in the House on the 19th April 1954 and state:

(a) when the Tobacco Sub-Committee for promotion of the export, trade in tobacco was set up; and

(b) the progress it has made so far in promoting such trade?

THE MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE (DR. P. S. DESHMUKH): (a) In December 1953.