

and are managing some textile mills. However, no scheme has been received from State Governments for starting State Textile Corporations with a view to taking over sick textile mills in their States.

(b) Does not arise.

Calicut Aerodrome

8. SHRI P. K. KUNJACHEN: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) how many hectares of land was handed over to the Aerodrome Officer, Bangalore, by the Kerala Government for the construction of the aerodrome at Calicut;

(b) when the land was handed over to the Aerodrome Officer;

(c) how far the work has progressed till now; and

(d) what are the reasons for the delay in opening of the aerodrome?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAUSHIK): (a) 86.5 hectares of land was handed over to the Aerodrome Officer, Mangalore aerodrome (not Bangalore aerodrome as mentioned in the question).

(b) 17th April, 1971.

(c) The land has been fenced and the State Government have provided an approach road to the site.

(d) The project for construction of an aerodrome at Calicut was included in the draft Fifth Five Year Plan. However, due to increase in the cost of operation consequent on the hike in prices of aviation fuel and also their tight fleet position Indian Airlines had to review their plans and found themselves unable to operate to Calicut in the Fifth Plan period. The project has therefore, been deferred for the present.

Cashew Industry

9. SHRI P. K. KUNJACHEN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state,

(a) the steps taken by the Central Government for the development of cashew industry; and

(b) the financial assistance given by the Central Government to the Kerala Government during the last five years for the development of cashew industry?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) The main problem of the cashew industry is the shortage of raw nuts for processing. The Central Government have, therefore, taken steps to import as large a quantity of raw cashew-nuts as available. The Central Government have also taken in hand various schemes for increasing indigenous production of raw cashewnuts.

A statement giving the central sector schemes during the 5th Five Year Plan is annexed.

(b) The financial assistance given by the the Central Government to the Kerala Government during the last 5 years for the development of cashew plantations was as follows:

	(Rs. in lakhs)
1972-73	5.672
1973-74	4.170
1974-75	6.392
1975-76	7.597
1976-77	25.442

Statement

The following schemes have been taken in hand by the Central Government during the Fifth Five Year Plan for increasing production of raw cashewnuts in the country.

Name of the Scheme	Fifth Plan Target	
	Physical Target	Financial Outlay (Rs. in lakhs)
(a) Scheme for laying out demonstration plots in Growers' Orchard for Improved Practices in Cashew Cultivation.	26,600 Plots of 0.8 hectare each.	95.69
(b) Scheme for Improvement of Cashew by vegetative propagation.	53,000 hectares	97.67
(c) Scheme for Establishment of Progeny Orchards for Cashew.	640 hectares	17.31
(d) Special Scheme for Package Programme in Departmental Areas.	5000 hectares	20.00 (Scheme was in operation in 1974-75 only).
(e) Special scheme for maintenance of 4000 hectares planted under the special Area Expansion Programme in Departmental Areas during Fourth Five Year Plan.	4000 hectares.	31.25
(f) Subsidised plantation of Cashewnuts in :		
(i) Departmental Areas	60,000 ha.	300.00*
(ii) Non-Departmental Areas	85,000 ha.	255.00*
(g) Maintenance of Progeny Orchards in Andhra Pradesh	50 hectares.	1.39 (for two years i.e. 1977-78 & 1978-79)

*The amount represents the cost on account of subsidy borne by the Government of India for raising new plantations. The rate of subsidy is Rs. 500/- per hectare for Departmental areas and Rs. 300/- per hectare for non-departmental areas.

हैदराबाद के निकट 'डकोटा' विमान का दुर्घटनाग्रस्त होना

10. श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री :
श्रीमती विद्यावती चतुर्वेदी :
श्री कल्पनाथ राय :
श्री मोहम्मद उस्मान आरिफ :
श्री सुल्तान सिंह :

क्या पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने हैदराबाद के निकट हुई डकोटा विमान दुर्घटना, जिसमें कुछ वैज्ञानिक मारे गये थे, की जांच रिपोर्ट का अध्ययन कर लिया है; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो उस पर लिए गए निर्णय का ब्यौरा क्या है ?

†[Dacota crash near Hyderabad

10. SHRI PRAKASH VEER
SHASTRI;
SHRIMATI VIDYAWATI
CHATURVEDI;
SHRI KALP NATH RAI;
SHRI MOHAMMED USMAN
ARIF;

'SHRI SULTAN SINGH:
Will the Minister of TOURISM AND
CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have examined the report of the inquiry on

†[] English translation.