

	Quantity (Metric Tonnes)	Value (Rs. in lakhs)
Basmati rice	1,30,285	111,93
Non-basmati rice	1,324	54

(b) The low level of export of non-basmati rice is due to depressed international prices

**Supply of Japanese Jacket Equipment for
Curing Tobacco**

5033. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA
RAO : Will the Minister of COMMERCE
be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Japanese
Jacket equipment helps in conserving 20 per
cent coal and 10 per cent curing time
required for curing of Flue-cured-Virginia
Tobacco ;

(b) if so, the steps being taken to
encourage usage of Japanese Jackets ; and

(c) whether Government propose to
supply these jackets to Tobacco Growers at
50 per cent of the cost in the larger interest
of effecting economy ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI
P. R. DAS MUNSI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During 1985-86, the Tobacco Board
supplied 690 JTS Jackets to the growers at
50% cost price.

(c) The Budget Estimates for 1986-87
of the Tobacco Board, approved by the
Government, covers the scheme relating to
the supply of JTS Jackets to the growers.

**Representation by Andaman and Nicobar
Employees on Recommendation of
Fourth Pay Commission**

5034. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA :
Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased
to state :

(a) whether Government have received
representations from the Andaman and
Nicobar Islands regarding anomaly in pay
scales recommended by the Fourth Pay
Commission to the employees of Andaman
and Nicobar Islands ;

(b) if so, the main parts in the represen-
tation and the action being taken thereon ;

(c) whether overtime has been stopped
to industrial workers who are required to
maintain essential services like electricity,
shipping, transport, dockyard workshop etc ;
and

(d) if so, what alternative means has
been arranged to maintain essential service
in Andaman and Nicobar Islands ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI
JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) and (b)
No representation specifically relating to
anomalies in pay scales recommended by the
Fourth Pay Commission has been received
in the Ministry of Finance in respect of the
employees of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. The Government
have, however, accepted the recommendation
of the Fourth Pay Commission regarding
discontinuance of the present scheme of
grant of Overtime Allowance to Central
Government employees. The modalities of
implementation of this recommendation are
being worked out separately.

**Closure of Private Textile Mills in
Ahmedabad**

5035. SHRI HAROOBHAI MEHTA :
Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased
to state :

(a) the number and names of private
Textile Mills closed in Ahmedabad ;

(b) the number of workers rendered
unemployed on account of the closure of the
aforesaid mills ; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to
ensure restarting of the mills ?