

(b) Among Black tea producing countries India has the highest yield per hectare. However, Japan which produces green tea is having a higher yield rate than India for that type of tea.

(c) No, Sir. On the contrary the production and exports have been rising steadily in the past few years. As against a production of 456 M. Kgs. in 1972, production rose to 511.82 M. Kgs. during 1976. Exports and earnings therefrom rose from 198 M. Kgs. valued at Rs. 151.14 crores in 1972 to 233.61 M. Kgs. valued at Rs. 273 crores in 1976 (provisional).

**Pay scales of selection grade Auditors of Indian Audit and Accounts Department**

4404. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of FINANCE, AND REVENUE AND BANKING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the pay of some of the Selection Grade Auditors of the Indian Audit and Accounts Department will stagnate before 10 to 16 years of their retirement; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps to be taken to redress their grievances?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, AND REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI H. M. PATEL): (a) As per information available on record some Selection Grade Auditors will stay at the maximum for 10 years and more before their retirement.

(b) An item "Removal of stagnation in the Selection Grade Auditors Cadre" came up for discussion in the last meeting of the Departmental Council; Indian Audit and Accounts Department, and was remitted to a Committee of the Council for further consideration. The Committee has since been appointed and its recommendations are awaited.

**गुजरात में अम्बाजी का पर्यटन केन्द्र के रूप में विकास**

4405. श्री चौधरी मोती भाई अर० क्या पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का विचार इस बात को ध्यान में रखते हुए (गुजरात में) अम्बाजी को पर्यटन केन्द्र के रूप में विकसित करने का है कि यह एक प्रसिद्ध तीर्थस्थान है और पर्वतीय क्षेत्र में स्थित है तथा यहां रोजाना हजारों तीर्थ यात्री और पर्यटक आते हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो यह विकास कार्यक्रम कब तक आरम्भ किया जायेगा ?

पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री (श्री पुरुषोत्तम कौशिक) : (क) केन्द्रीय क्षेत्र में अम्बाजी में यात्रियों के लिये सुविधाओं के विकास के लिये फिलहाल कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

**Bed Capacity in Hotels**

4406. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total bed capacity in hotels categorised for foreign tourists at present; is it sufficient to accommodate the present rate of tourist traffic to India;

(b) the number of new beds that could be increased in private and public sectors during the past three years; and was their number in consonance with the expected increase in tourist traffic; and

(c) whether there is a proposal to grant more licences for more hotels to be built in private sector and whe-