

financial provisions for this purpose are to be made within the overall plan outlays of the State. While submitting their draft Fifth Five Year Plan, West Bengal Government indicated an outlay of Rs. 8 crores for Sunderbans Development Programme. When the State's plan is finalised, the outlay for this programme will be determined in the light of the financial constraints as well as the priority accorded to it by the State Government.

वर्ष 1971-72 के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश में प्रति व्यक्ति आय

2962. डा० लक्ष्मी नारायण पांडेय : क्या योजना मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि वर्ष 1971-72 के अन्त में मध्य प्रदेश में प्रति व्यक्ति औसत आय कितनी थी ?

योजना मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मोहन धारिया) : प्रचलित भावों के आधार पर वर्ष 1971-72 में मध्य प्रदेश की प्रति व्यक्ति आय का प्रारम्भिक अनुमान जैसा मध्य प्रदेश सरकार का अर्थ एवं सांख्यिकी निदेशक द्वारा तैयार किया गया 569 रुपये था।

Demand for inclusion of Garo areas of Goalpara and Kamrup in Meghalaya

2963. SHRI DASARATHA DEB: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Garo National Zonal Council of Action, Assam has been demanding inclusion of neighbouring Garo areas of Goalpara and Kamrup districts of Assam into Meghalaya; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Government towards it?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The boundaries of Meghalaya State have been determined by Parliament under the North-Eastern Areas (Reorganisation) Act, 1971.

Merger of Mizo area of Tripura with Mizoram

2964. SHRI DASARATHA DEB: the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal for merging the Mizo speaking populated area of Tripura with Mizoram;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government to it; the total area of Tripura which was demanded by Mizoram; and

(c) whether the opinion of the people of Tripura will be ascertained before the Government arrive at final decision on the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN): (a) to (c). The Government of Tripura had reported some time back that a delegation of Lushai leaders of Jampui Hills had presented a Memorandum to the Governor on 29th January, 1973 demanding merger of the Jampui area of Tripura with the Union territory of Mizoram. The Government of India do not favour this demand.

Acquisition of Land for Precision Instrument Factory at Palghat

2965. SHRI C. H. MOHAMED KOYA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether land was acquired for the precision Instrument Factory at Palghat 10 years ago; and

(b) whether the Government spent money for water filter plant power supply etc. for the project and if so, amount thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. B. RANA): (a) Yes, Sir. A site measuring about 600 acres was acquired by the Government of Kerala for the establishment

of the Paighat Plant, and handed over to Instrumentation Ltd. in 1965.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Shortage of Raw Materials in Plywood Industry, Kerala

2966. SHRI C. H. MOHAMED KOYA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the plywood industry in Kerala is suffering due to shortage of urea resin, an adhesive and basic raw material; and

(b) whether Government propose to direct the Fertiliser Corporation Trombay unit to allot sufficient Methanol for making urea resin, by the plywood factories at Punalur, Ezhapattanam etc?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. B. RANA): (a) and (b). There is an overall shortage of Urea Formaldehyde Synthetic Resin Adhesives required by the Plywood Industry due to inadequate availability of Methanol and the consequent shortage of formaldehyde. To overcome the shortage, arrangements have been made to import 16,000 tonnes of Methanol. Of these, 8,000 tonnes have already landed and the balance of 8,000 tonnes is expected to be available shortly. Imports of Methanol are canalised through State Trading Corporation and it is distributed through the Fertilizer Corporation of India to the manufacturers of formaldehyde and urea formaldehyde synthetic resin adhesives. Everything possible is being done to ensure adequate availability of urea formaldehyde resin adhesives to the plywood

industry and it is hoped that the situation will improve by the middle of 1974.

Assistance to Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation for Power Generation

2967. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BGSU: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether on 23rd February, 1974, the Central Planning Minister told the press in Calcutta that the Centre would give financial assistance amounting to Rs. 10 crores to the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation for power generation; and

(b) if so, on what ground this monopoly concern is being given this huge amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

सरकारी कर्मचारियों की सेवा निवृत्ति प्राय की कम करना

2968. श्री धनराज प्रवाल . क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का विचार केंद्रीय सरकार के कर्मचारियों की सेवा निवृत्ति आयु 58 वर्ष से घटा कर 55 वर्ष कर देने का है ; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो इस के क्या कारण हैं ?

श्री राजाराम लाल कानिक विभाग में, राज्य मंत्री (श्री राम निवास मिश्रा) : (क) जी नहीं; अधिकांश ;

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।