Ceylon

To the end of the fiscal year 1964-1964, Ceylon had received assistance from Canada under the Colombo Plan to a value of \$25,676,000 for economic-development purposes.

Over the past few years, Canada has assisted Ceylon with an aerial and geological survey and the construction of capital projects such as transmission lines, a fish-refrigeration plant and the expansion of power-producing facilities. The transmission lines have not only connected the power systems of the eastern and western sectors of the island but have made available much needed electricity to the industries, villages and schools located through the Gal Oya area. During 1963-1964, Canada agreed to assist Ceylon with the extension of the Katuanayake Airport and the expansion of the Mutwal fish-refrigeration plant, which had been built previously as a Canadian Colombo Plan project.

Commodity assistance to Ceylon has consisted primarily of flour (\$9,500,000) and railway ties (\$180,000). Under the 1963-1964 programme flour to a value of \$1 million was given to Ceylon.

There were seven Ceylonese trainees studying in Canada under the Colombo Plan during 1963-1964, including a social worker, a community planner and an agricultural economist.

A Canadian electrical engineer experienced in the management of small hydro-electric systems was sent to Ceylon during the year as an adviser to the Gal Oya Development Board on generation and transmission maintenance problems.

India

Total Canadian assistance to India under the Colombo Plan to the end of the fiscal year 1962-1963 was \$238,956,000.

In the South Indian state of Madras, Canadian and Indian engineers continued during 1963-1964 to work on the third stage of the Kundah hydro-electric project, which will provide an additional 240,000 kilowatts of electrical generating capacity to meet the industrial demands of the area. Canada's contribution in engineering services, generating equipment and other materials for this third stage will total some \$24 million over a five-year period.

During 1963-1964 Canada agreed:

- (a) To expand the Umtru hydro-electric power plant in the state of Assam;
- (b) To provide Indian hospitals with cobalt-therapy units for the treatment of cancer;
- (c) To supply power-transmission equipment for the expansion of the country's electrical facilities; and
- (d) To assist India with the development of the Idikki hydro-electric power project.

A summary of the Canadian 1963-1964 capital and commodity assistance programme is as follows:

Umtru power project 650,000
Idikki power project 3,000,000
Gamma Cell Units 60,000
Cobalt-therapy units 200,000
Power-transmission equipment 2,800,000