

ECNEC okays Tk. 112 cr. projects

66 high schools

Sixty six Government high schools situated at Subdivisional towns will be developed to improve the basic physical facilities including expansion of science teachings and introduction of vocational and agricultural education in the nationalised schools. The total cost of the scheme has been estimated at Taka 10 crore 50 lakh and 96 thousand with a foreign exchange component of Taka 20 lakh. The project will be completed by 1979-80.

The replanting of tea project aims at replacement of old and uneconomic tea plants by high-yielding quality clones and improved seeds in an area of 20 thousand acres in III tea estates. This will improve the quality of tea and increase the annual production from 5.8 million lbs to 32 million lbs by 1995-96. The total cost has been estimated at Taka 18 crore 54 lakh and 25 thousand.

The intensive cultivation of tea project envisages increase of per acre yield of tea from the present 800 lbs to 947 lbs level. The total cost has been estimated at Taka 19 crore 39 lakh and 95 thousand with a foreign exchange component of Taka 15 crore 20 lakh and 58 thousand. The project will be completed by 1984-85.

ECNEC also approved setting up of a Staff Training Institute at the Sugarcane Research Institute at Ishurdi for training of sugarcane extension workers