APPENDIX—VII

Questionnaire to be answered by Companies (Public Ltd. & Private Ltd.) Proprietory Concerns and individuals owning or having their management in the estates of Cachar.

1. Name and address —

2. If a Company, Nature of Company (a) Public (i) Incorporated in India with Rs. Capital (ii) Outside India with sterling or other foreign capital.
   (b) Private.

3. Area under cultivation on 31st December, 1969:

   Capital & Management

4. Balance sheet for last three years (i.e. 1966-1968) may be attached herewith.

5. Capital Investment:
   (a) Shares —
   (b) Debentures —
   (c) Loans —
   (d) Borrowings —

6. (a) Nature of Management:
   (b) If by Managing agents and Secretaries, their terms and conditions for appointment.

Financial:

7. Sources from which you obtain funds.
   (a) Capital —
   (b) Commercial Banks
   (c) Co-operative Bank
      (including Assam Apex Bank)
   (d) Tea Board.
   (e) State Govt.
   (f) Other agencies.

8. Amount of Normal working capital required for last three years (1966 to 1968)

9. Amount of expenditure under main heads for last three years (1966 to 1968)
   (a) Labour charges.
(Continued)

(b) Manufacturing charges.
(c) Transport charges.
(d) Taxes.
(e) Miscellaneous charges & other charges

Labour.
10. Average number of labourers-
   Employed during last year 1967.
   (a) Permanent (i) Local-
       (ii) Outsiders-
   (b) Temporary (i) Local-
       (ii) Outsiders-

11. Average amount of payment to labourers-
   (i) Permanent -
   (ii) Local-

12. Estate has any labour colony or not-

13. Bonus paid during last three years
   to labourers (1966-78) -

14. Welfare activities in the gardens-

15. Quantity of tea sold during last three
    years (1962 to 1964)
    (i) 1966 -
    (ii) 1967 -
    (iii) 1968 -

16. Any other income from the estate except tea.

17. Manufacturing process is mechanised or not-
    If mechanised, nature of improvements made
    from the old process-

18. Has there been any change in ownership-
    or not. If yes, nature of change-

19. Average cost of production for last
    three years (1966 to 1968) -

20. (a) Any difficulties you experience-
    (b) Suggestions for improvements-

21. Effect of parental Plucking on the life of bushes-

22. Opinion about Replantation-
    Cost of replantation, replacement and extension-
23. How much financial help for replantation been provided?
24. Any possibility of change of Ownership?
25. Opinion about new-suction Market in Cachar, either at Silchar or Karimganj

Note: 1. Please attach the separate sheet wherever the place given is not sufficient.
2. The questionnaires duly filled up may be returned within 15 days to Prof. A.K. Paul, Subhasenagar, Karimganj, Cachar.
3. It shall be treated as most confidential information received from the respective tea estates.