STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1971 No. 367

SUGAR

The Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1971

Made - - -	*9th March* 1971
Laid before Parliament	*16th March* 1971
Coming into Operation	*1st April* 1971

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State acting jointly in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 18(1) and (2) of the Sugar Act 1956(**a**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation with the British Sugar Corporation Limited and with such bodies as in their opinion are substantially representative of growers of home-grown beet and having prepared a programme for carrying out research and education in matters affecting the growing of home-grown beet, hereby make the following order :—

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1971 ; and shall come into operation on 1st April 1971.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) shall apply to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The programme of research and education set out in the Schedule to this order together with the expenditure estimated to be incurred in carrying it out shall be the programme for the year beginning on 1st April 1971.

3. The contributions from the British Sugar Corporation Limited (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") and every grower of home-grown beet who delivers beet to the Corporation during the year beginning on 1st April 1971, towards defraying the expenditure to be incurred in carrying out the aforesaid programme shall be assessed as follows :—

(*a*) in the case of any grower of home-grown beet, the contribution shall be at the rate of 1·66p for every ton of home-grown beet sold by him for delivery to the Corporation in that year ;

(*b*) in the case of the Corporation the contribution shall be at the rate of 1·66p for every ton of home-grown beet purchased by them for delivery in that year.

(**a**) 1956 c. 48. (**b**) 1889 c. 63.

4.—(1) All contracts made between the Corporation and any grower for the sale of home-grown beet for delivery to the Corporation during the year beginning on 1st April 1971 shall provide that the total amount of the grower's contribution assessed in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this order shall be payable by the grower to the Corporation out of any sums standing to the credit of that grower in account with the Corporation and be deducted by the Corporation from the amount payable to the grower.

(2) The Corporation shall pay the proceeds, together with the amount of the contribution from the Corporation assessed in accordance with sub-paragraph (*b*) of Article 3 of this order, to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food within that year.

5. The amount of any contribution which has not been paid to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food during the year within which it is due shall become a debt due to that Minister.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 4th March 1971.

(L.S.)

J. M. L. Prior,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland on 9th March 1971.

(L.S.)

Gordon Campbell,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

SCHEDULE

Projects of research and education in matters affecting the growing of home-grown beet to be carried out by the persons or bodies described in relation thereto and estimates of expenditures to be incurred in carrying them out.

	£	£
A. RESEARCH		
1. Plant Breeding: Plant Breeding Institute, Cambridge		45,360
2. Variety Trials: National Institute of Agricultural Botany, Cambridge		20,932
3. Disease Investigations, Fertiliser and Seed Production Experiments: Broom's Barn Experimental Station		93,611
4. Crop Husbandry: Norfolk Agricultural Station		13,386
5. Machinery Experiments: National Institute of Agricultural Engineering		5,450
6. Scottish Trials and Experiments		2,315
7. Agronomy: School of Agriculture, University of Nottingham		2,035
8. Physiology: Rothamsted Experimental Station		4,500
B. EDUCATION		
9. British Sugar Corporation Ltd.:—		
Publicity:		
(a) British Sugar Beet Review	3,608	
(b) Films	750	
(c) Virus Yellows	1,417	5,775
Demonstrations:		
(d) Cultivation	27,150	
(e) Harvest Machinery	2,033	
(f) Spring Mechanisation	3,917	33,100
C. GENERAL		
10. Travelling and Subsistence Expenses of Members and Officers of the Sugar Beet Research and Education Committee and its sub-committees ...		550
11. Administrative Charges:		
(a) Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food	1,650	
(b) Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland	100	
(c) Exchequer and Audit Department	100	1,850
12. Institut International de Recherches Betteravières:		
(a) Subscriptions	1,400	
(b) Expenses and Visits	1,600	3,000
13. Other Items:		
(a) Docking Disorder—Aerial Photographic Survey and Experiments	6,300	
(b) Visits Abroad	150	
(c) Contingencies	1,086	7,536
Total		239,400

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This order provides for the assessment and collection of contributions in 1971 from the British Sugar Corporation Ltd. and growers of home-grown beet towards the programme of research and education set out in the Schedule to the Order. The contributions in 1971 will be 1·66p per ton which is the nearest practical decimal equivalent to 4d. which is the maximum rate at which contributions might be assessed under section 18 of the Sugar Act 1956 as modified by the Sugar Beet (Research and Education) (Increase of Contributions) Order 1970 (S.I. 1970/332) for the two years beginning with 1st April 1970.