

the State Trading Corporation (Private) Limited during 1956.

Private traders exported 22,57,667 lbs. to U.S.S.R. in the same year.

Second Pay Commission

94. { Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha:
Shri Bhakt Darshan:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state-

(a) whether Government have sent a communication to the State Governments to gauge the strength of the demand for a Second Pay Commission;

(b) if so, what is the nature of the communication; and

(c) what are reactions of State Governments?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) to (c) An informal enquiry was made to ascertain the position in the States. Replies have not been received

Gandhi Samadhi Design

95. { Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Bhakt Darshan:

Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No 113 on the 17th of May, 1957 and state the decision taken regarding the selection of design for the construction of Gandhi Samadhi?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri K. C. Reddy): Recommendations of the Board of Assessors have been received. No decision regarding the selection of a design has yet been taken.

Portuguese case in the International Court of Justice

96. { Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri S. C. Samanta:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 5 on the 14th of May, 1957, and state when the case filed by Portugal against India in the International Court of Justice is likely to come up for hearing?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): The International Court of Justice has fixed August 15, 1957, as the time limit for the submission by Portugal of a written statement of its observations and submission on the Preliminary Objection presented by the Government of India's Agent on the 15th April, 1957. The hearing of the Preliminary Objection is likely to take place during the last week of September 1957.

Hindi Type-Writers

97. Shri Mahanty: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state

(a) whether Hindi Type-writers are hired by the various Departments and Ministries of Government,

(b) if so, the rate at which rent is paid, and

(c) the total rent paid by Government during 1956-57?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) Yes, as and when required

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

India Supply Mission, Washington

98. Shri E. J. Rao: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state: