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Price Reduction of Rayon Filament Yarn

7624. SHRI RAJDEO SINGH :
SHRI G. VENKATSWAMY :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the cost of production of Rayon Yarn had gone up considerably ; and

(b) if so, the effect of the price reduction, if any, of Rayon Filament Yarn on the industry and the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GORGI) (a) and (b). All aspects of the Rayon industry including the cost of production are now under examination of the Government in the context of the recommendations made in that behalf by the Tariff Commission.

**Examination by the Ministry of Planning
Re : performance of State Trading Corporation**

7625. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether his Ministry has examined the performance of the State Trading Corporation during the last three years, and

(b) if so, the outcome thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA) : (a) and (b) The Planning Commission have not gone into the performance of the State Trading Corporation. The Annual Plan for 1970-71 of the State Trading Corporation with particular reference to its internal resources was, however, discussed in the Planning Commission. A similar discussion for 1971-72 is yet to be held.

Stagnation of officers of Central Information Service in Grade II

7626. SHRI INDER J. MALHOTRA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION

AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether no meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee for the purpose of promotion from Grade II to Grade I of the Central Information Service has been held after December, 1969 and, if so, the reasons therefor ;

(b) whether a certain batch of Officers has been stagnating in Grade II for almost six years ; and

(c) if so the reasons for the delay in holding the meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA) : (a) A meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee presided over by a Member of the Union Public Service Commission, for selection of officers of Grade II of the Central Information Service for promotion to Grade I of the Service was held in July, 1971

(b) There are a few such officers, but they had been considered and found unsuitable for promotion in December 1969 by the Departmental Promotion Committee.

(c) No meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee was held in 1970 because apart from those considered unsuitable for promotion in December, 1969 no other officer became eligible for promotion under the rules during that year.

**Functioning of Transmitter at Alleppy
(Kerala)**

7627. SHRI R. BALAKRISHNA PILLAI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state ;

(a) whether the new high-power medium wave transmitter at Alleppy in Kerala has started functioning ; and

(b) the estimated cost of the transmitter at Alleppy ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 46.13 lakhs,

Programme for Development of Atomic Energy for Peaceful Purposes

7628. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN KADANNAPPALLI : Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Director of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre stressed the importance of nuclear date for any country interested in a major programme of developing atomic energy for peaceful uses ;

(b) whether the Reactor Research Centre has been planned ; and

(c) if so, the particulars thereof ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. The Reactor Research Centre planned at Kalpakkam will have a Fast Breeder Test Reactor as the main experimental facility and various other facilities for development, in all aspects, of future reactor systems. The facilities will include (i) Laboratories for studies in reactor engineering, fuel reprocessing, safety research, fuel development and material science and instrumentation development ; (ii) a Fuel Reprocessing Plant ; (iii) a Fuel Fabrication Facility ; (iv) Waste Treatment Facilities ; and (v) a Pulsed Fast Reactor for materials research in addition to physics research.

Reference of High Prices Issue of Synthetic Fabrics to Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices

7629 SHRI C. CHITTIBABU : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the price of the synthetic fabric are high, beyond the research of common man ; and

(b) if so, whether the issue is proposed to be referred to the Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) and (b). Synthetic fibre is considered to be one of the Luxury items which is generally used by affluent

section of the society. A reference to the Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices is considered not necessary.

Reappraisal of Fourth Plan

7630. SHRI C. CHITTIBABU : Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Planning Commission has made any reappraisal of the Fourth Five Year Plan ;

(b) whether the huge over-drafts by some States, the inability of some States to raise resources, the rise in prices of daily necessities and the rising cost of looking after the Bangla Desh refugees will necessitate downward revision of the Plan ; and

(c) if so, the size of the Plan after the reappraisal ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA) : (a) The appraisal of the Fourth Five Year Plan is underway.

(b) and (c). The position regarding the size of the Plan will be known only after the appraisal which will take into account all the relevant factors and considerations affecting the Plan and which is currently under way.

Sub Post Offices in Manipur

7631. SHRI N. TOMBI SINGH : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering to open new Sub Post Offices in Manipur in view of the pressing demand from the hill and rural areas ; and

(b) if so, the particulars thereof and when the Sub Post Offices are likely to be opened ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) Yes.

(b) Names of places where new branch and Sub Post Offices are proposed to be opened during the current year in Manipur State, present position and the likely date of finalisation of each proposal are furnished below ;