

(b) whether the agreement executed between the three parties has been approved?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The agreement executed between the three parties has not yet been finally approved, as certain modifications suggested by the Government are under consideration of the parties concerned.

Sewing Machine Components

***1058. Shri Indrajit Gupta:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a South Indian concern has applied for licence to manufacture sewing machine components in collaboration with the Singer Sewing Machine Co. of U.S.A.; and

(b) if so, whether Government are considering the application?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The application is still under consideration.

Loan by Rehabilitation Industries Corporation

***1059. Shri Dinen Bhattacharya:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the amount still outstanding with different industrial concerns who were provided with loans by the Rehabilitation Industries Corporation; and

(b) whether Government have undertaken any enquiry as to what extent the loanee companies provided jobs to displaced persons?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) Total outstanding loan as on 31st March 1963 is Rs. 69,15,802.89 nP. A statement showing the details is laid on the Table of

the House. [Placed in the Library. See No. LT-1215/63].

(b) No, Sir. The Corporation has suitable machinery for making periodical inspection of the accounts of the loanees and makes enquiries regarding the number of displaced persons actually employed by the loanees. The Government also keep a constant watch on the employment of d.ps. by obtaining periodic information from the Corporation.

Purchase of Fertilizer Plant Equipment

***1060. Shri N. R. Laskar:** Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is going to purchase Fertilizer Plant Equipment worth about \$24,300,000 from the Engineering Works of Japan;

(b) whether the deal has been completed; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) to (c). The Fertilizer Corporation of India who have been entrusted with the establishment of a fertilizer factory at Gorakhpur in Uttar Pradesh have issued a 'Letter of Intent' to a Consortium of Japanese manufacturers for the supply of ammonia and urea plants for the project. The terms of the final contract are under negotiation between the parties.

Special Steel Plant in Durgapur

***1065.** { Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Ulaka:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shri Onkarlal Berwar:
Shri R. S. Pandey:

Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether an order has been placed with the Japanese consulting

institute to construct a special steel plant in Durgapur;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme for establishing the second steel plant at Durgapur; and

(c) the terms of the agreement with the Japanese institute?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Negotiations are being conducted with the Japanese Consortium and others. No order has been placed has yet.

Production of Machinery

- *1066. { Shri Maheswar Naik:
Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:
Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:
Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:
Shri Sarjoo Pandey:

Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that actual annual production of machinery has fallen far short of production targets specifically in the manufacture of machinery for textile, paper and pulp, cement, sugar and heavy engineering industries;

(b) if so, the extent of fall in each of the above categories and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any installed capacity in these sectors is lying idle; and

(d) the steps that are being taken to bring about improvement?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Sethi): A statement is placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in the Library. See No. LT-1216/63].

Manufacture of Watches

2364. { Shri P. C. Deo Bhanj:
Shri Krishna Deo Tripathi:

Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state the total number of watches manufactured up-to-date by the H.M.T. Factory?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Sri P. C. Sethi): 66,946 watches have been assembled by the Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd., upto the 23rd April, 1963.

Industrial Cooperatives Societies in Uttar Pradesh

2365. **Shri Sarjoo Pandey:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Industrial Cooperatives Societies functioning at present in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) the kind of societies and their production capacity?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) The total number of industrial cooperative societies in Uttar Pradesh as on 30th June, 1962 was 4062.

(b) The industry-wise break-up and their production during the cooperative year 1961-62 are given below:

Industry	No. of societies	Production (in Rs. 000)
Handloom	1,533	4,72,67
Sericulture	4	
Khadi	35	1,10,07
Village Industries	1,973	
Handicrafts	225	
Small Scale Industries and others	229	