

श्री प्र० चं० सेठी : यह तो केवल हर-केला का विस्तार है वैसे इसके अलावा कुछ और भी कारखानों का विस्तार होना वांछनीय है ।

श्री यशपाल सिंह : क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि जैसे कि इसी आदर्शिय सदन में माननीय मंत्री ने पिछली दफे फरमाया था कि हम आय-रन प्लेट्स के मामले में हरकेला में 3000 के उपपादन की वजह से सैल्फ सफिशियस हो जायेंगे तो उस सैल्फ सफिशियेमी में कितनी कमी है ?

श्री प्र० चं० सेठी : ऐसा तो नहीं बताया गया था बल्कि यह बताया गया था कि बुधवारो प्लांट्स प्रोडक्ट्स की कमी को पूरा करने की दिशा में काम करेगा ।

Shri A. P. Sharma: The Deputy Minister has stated that about 250 workers will be employed. May I know whether the local workers will be given preference in the matter of recruitment?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam): Properly qualified workers have got to be employed. If locally qualified workers are available, they will be employed.

Shri Dinen Bhattacharya: The Deputy Minister has stated that about 250 workers will be employed. May I know whether any German personnel, that is, skilled workers, will be employed there after the inauguration of this blast furnace?

Shri C. Subramaniam: Already, we have some Germany technicians there. I do not think that we shall be employing further German technicians for running the blast furnace.

Shri Basappa: May I know the special items of steel that are going to be manufactured in this expanded project?

Shri C. Subramaniam: These are all flat products, but one extra item that we shall be producing there is electric steel.

Registration of Exporters

553. Shri Subodh Hansda: Will the Minister of International Trade be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to register the names of exporters has made any headway; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of International Trade (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. All Export Promotion Councils, Commodity Boards, Export Promotion Officers in Calcutta, Bombay, Madras and Cochine and the Director General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics register the name of exporters for various purposes.

श्री रघुनाथ सिंह : सब में ज्यादा लोगों को एक्सपोर्ट करने का लाइसेंस कहाँ दिया गया है, कलकत्ते में दिया गया है या बम्बई में दिया गया है ?

श्री मनुभाई शाह : बहुत सी चीजों को तो हम ने डिक्ट्रोल कर दिया है । लाइसेंस का सिस्टम निकाल दिया है । थोड़े में आइटम्स रह गये हैं जोकि डेढ़ सप्ते में दिये गये हैं जिनके कि ऊपर प्रतिबंध है । इसलिए लाइसेंस देने का अब उस में कोई खाम मवाल नहीं रहता है ।

Shri D. C. Sharma: A complaint is made that sometimes bogus firms are registered as exporters. May I know what effort Government are making to see to it that only good and genuine firms are registered as exporters?

Shri Manubhai Shah: The facts are very completely asked for, and every three months there is an inspection of the firms, and their export performance. If the hon. Member would see the new forms which we have introduced, which call for the returns etc. periodically, he will see that we have taken adequate steps in this matter.

श्री तुलसीदास जाधव : जो लाइसेंस दिया जाता है वह जो माल तैयार करने हैं उन को दिया जाता है या दूसरे लोगों को भी

दिया जाता है और दिया जाता है तो क्यों दिया जाता है ?

श्री मनुभाई शाह : दोनों होते हैं। एक तो खुद बनाते हैं और बाहर भेजते हैं और दूसरे जोकि दूसरों से खरीदते हैं और बाहर भेजते हैं।

श्री तुलशी दास जाधव : जो लोग खुद माल तैयार करते हैं उन सब को क्या मिलता है ?

श्री मनुभाई शाह : जो हां, बनाने वालों को दिया जाता है। वैसे बहुत सी चीजों को तो हम ने डिक्ट्रोल ही कर दिया है इसलिए लाइसेंस की ज्यादा जरूरत नहीं रह गयी है।

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Trade with Belgium

*534. **Shri P. C. Borooah :** Will the Minister of **International Trade** be pleased to state:

(a) whether during his recent visit to Brussels, he had talks for securing Belgium credit for India and for improving trade relations between India and Belgium; and

(b) if so, with what results?

The Minister of International Trade (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir; I discussed trade problems with the Belgian authorities. During these discussions the question of Belgian credits was also discussed and they assured that they will extend a further credit of \$10 million for the current year. This the Belgian Government has already announced through Aid India Consortium. I also impressed upon the Belgian authorities the need for expanding Indo-Belgian Trade and for the early removal of factors inhibiting our exports. To this their reaction and further action has been hopeful. I also had talks with several members of the Belgian business community on the possibility of their buying more from India. These talks covered tea,

mineral ores, tobacco, hides and skins, engineering goods, ready made garments, diamonds and other items of interest to us. The Belgian businessmen and bankers are showing great interest. I had also a useful exchange of views on improving the effective utilisation of the credits being given to us by the Belgian Government.

Consumption of Coal in Steel Plants

*538. { **Shri Himatsingka :**
 { **Shri Bade :**

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

(a) whether experts of the World Bank have made any survey of the possibility of reducing consumption of coal in steel plants; and

(b) if so, what are their findings?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Import of Machinery

*540. **Shri Harish Chandra Mathur :** Will the Minister of **Industry** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of applications from small scale entrepreneurs with advances paid are lying with National Small Industries Corporation but no machinery is being imported for want of foreign exchange;

(b) the number of applications pending and the period for which these are pending and the amount of foreign exchange needed; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take in the matter?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) and (b). Up-to-date, in respect of 259 applications for import of machinery, earnest money in advance has been received by the N.S.I.C. These cases have been pending for periods varying between 8 to