

Broadcasts of Sanskrit Lessons

*737. **Shri Amar:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that there is a demand from some institutions for broadcasting lessons in Sanskrit from All India Radio; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) At present Sanskrit lessons are broadcast from the Madras, Tiruchi, Hyderabad and Vijayawada Stations of All India Radio as part of their school broadcasts, but in view of the very limited audience for them it is not at present proposed to start Sanskrit lessons for the general listeners

Trade with China

*738. **Shri Aurobindo Ghosal:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that the imports from China are increasing and the exports are going down; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Satish Chandra):

(a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House [See Appendix III, annexure No 4]

Paper Mill in Rayagada (Orissa)

*739. **Shri Sanganna:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that permission has been accorded to set up a paper mill in the Rayagada Taluk of Koraput District (Orissa),

(b) if so, to whom the permission has been accorded; and

(c) what is the installed capacity of the proposed paper mill?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir; but the location has been subsequently changed from Rayagada to Kesinga at firm's own request.

(b) M/s Straw Products Ltd., Calcutta

(c) The plant machinery have yet to be installed but the capacity licensed is 18,000 tons of paper and 21,600 tons of pulp per annum

Manufacture of Drugs

*740. **Shrimati Ita Palchoudhuri:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to set up a Corporation for manufacture of drugs and pharmaceuticals with Russian collaboration;

(b) if so, the brief details of the proposal; and

(c) when it is likely to be finalised?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (c). As already stated in the House in reply to Starred Question No. 7 on 3rd August, 1959, Government have decided to proceed further with the setting up of the drugs projects. The question of setting up a corporation to administer the drug projects is under consideration.

Chawki system for the supply of Silk Worm Seeds

*741. **Shri Shankaraiya:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Silk Board have decided to introduce the "Chawki" system of supply of silk worm seeds instead of the seeds;

(b) what would be additional cost of difference between the two systems of supply of seeds; and

(c) whether any subsidy is given to the Co-operative Societies or suppliers of Chawki in Mysore State?