

**Import of Cars**

\*36. { Shri A. M. Tariq:  
 Shri P. K. Deo:  
 Shri Aurobindo Ghosal:  
 Shri B. Das Gupta:  
 Shri Mahanty:

Maharashtra	3
Mysore	2
Orissa	2
Punjab	2
Uttar Pradesh	2
West Bengal	3

Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cars imported during the years 1959 and 1960 (so far) for the use of the Ministers of the Central and State Governments;

(b) the number of cars allotted to various States; and

(c) the amount of foreign exchange involved in the import of these cars?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

**Statement**

No cars have been imported for the use of the Ministers of the Central or State Governments during the years 1959 and 1960.

In order to provide facilities for tourists, 60 Plymouth cars in CKD conditions were allowed to be imported. Also in order to meet the small requirements of the Raj Bhavans|State Governments who needed these cars and for the use of foreign dignitaries visiting India, M/s. Premier Automobiles Ltd., Bombay were granted an *ad hoc* licence in December 1959 for a c.i.f. value of Rs. 3.60 lakhs to import 36 Nos. of Plymouth cars in c.k.d. condition. The number of cars released to the different Raj Bhavans|State Governments for the purpose so far is as follows:—

	No. of Cars
Andhra Pradesh	2
Assam	2
Bihar	2
Gujarat	1
Kerala	2
Madhya Pradesh	2
Madras	2

**Small Scale Industries**

\*37. **Shri Hem Barua:** Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that foreign aid for small-scale industries is expected from certain countries;

(b) if so, which are these countries;

(c) whether it is a fact that certain countries have agreed to the diversion of a part of their aid for the purposes of small-scale industries; and

(d) if so, which are these countries?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

The Government of India are receiving assistance from the Technical Cooperation Mission, U.S.A., the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of Japan for the Proto type Production-cum-Training Centres for small scale industries at Rajkot, Delhi and Howrah respectively. An offer has been received from the Government of France for a similar Centre at Guindy, Madras. A few other foreign governments have also evinced interest in providing assistance for such schemes and negotiations are still in a preliminary stage. These are cases of direct assistance and the question of diversion of aid does not arise.

A.D.L.F. loan from U.S. for \$10 million has been approved for NSIC for hire-purchase of machinery for small scale industries.