

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) to (c). Adequate credit facilities are extended to the export trade by banking institutions. The policies issued by the Export Risk Insurance Corporation are treated as good additional security by the banks.

Tibetan Refugees in Bhutan

*597. { Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:
Shri Aurobindo Ghosal:
Shri Hem Barua:
Shri Tangamani:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bhutan Government is pressing the Government of India to take over 3 to 4 thousand Tibetans who are in Bhutan; and

(b) what is the Government of India's reaction?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): (a) and (b). The Government of Bhutan informed us some time ago that because of their limited resources they would find it difficult to undertake the resettlement of any large numbers of Tibetan refugees in Bhutan. There are at present only about 1800 refugees in Bhutan.

The Government of Bhutan have however offered employment for about 3000 refugees on road construction projects in Bhutan which would take a few years to be completed. The Government of India have agreed to give financial assistance towards their maintenance.

Trade with China

*598. { Shri Indrajit Gupta:
Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:
Shri P. G. Deb:
Shri Wodeyar:

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

(a) the value of exports and imports between India and China during the first half of 1960; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to renew the India-China Trade Agreement?

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

(a) Exports to China Rs. 440 lakhs
Imports from China Rs. 197 lakhs.

(b) None at present.

Industrial Estate at Okhla

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Scheme for heavy expansion of the existing Industrial Estate at Okhla in Delhi is under the consideration of Government of India;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) the nature of progress made in connection therewith?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (c). Originally the programme of Industrial Estate Okhla was for 295 factories but due to stringency of funds the programme had been cut down to 116 factories. Therefore, the question of heavy expansion does not arise.

Out of these 116 factories, 35 have been already constructed and are functioning. 40 factories having covered area of 1,60,000 sq. ft. at an estimated cost of Rs. 45 lakhs are now being constructed. The construction is expected to be completed by May, 1961. Another set of 41 factories having a covered area of 44,000 sq. ft. is proposed to be constructed at an estimated cost of Rs. 10 lakhs specially for sports goods manufacturers.

Swing Credit Limit

*600. **Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any cases in which the 'Swing Credit Limit' has been reached; and

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to increase the 'Swing Credit Limit'?