

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The export ceiling for 1962-63 has not been fixed yet.

Melting Scrap

490. { Dr. Pashupati Mandal:
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Subodh Hansda:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of melting scrap consumed and the quantity of castings and billets produced by indigenous scrap-based furnaces during the years 1951 to 1961 (year by year);

(b) of the total quantity of scrap consumed by these furnaces during 1960 and 1961, the quantity supplied from controlled sources, the quantity delivered by exporters as levy and the quantity, acquired by the furnace owners directly from the open market; and

(c) the reason why these furnace owners cannot be left to obtain their entire scrap requirements from the open market or why their total scrap need cannot be from controlled sources?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) Complete information is not available regarding the total consumption of melting scrap. The quantity of castings and ingots produced by indigenous scrap-based furnaces, other than main producers, is as follows:

Year	(in tons)	
	Production Ingots	Castings
1951	27,338	10,000
1952	30,285	9,427
1953	36,801	10,327
1954	45,956	12,875
1955	43,329	15,010
1956	41,735	20,480
1957	39,713	23,343
1958	41,776	28,072
1959	58,835	29,040
1960	55,448	33,498
1961	53,737	37,652

(b) and (c). The information is not readily available. At present, scrap based furnaces, including the main producers, obtain their scrap from both controlled sources and the open market.

Oriental Universities

491. Shri A. T. Sarma: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the Oriental Universities that have been established during the Second Five Year Plan; and

(b) whether these universities are enjoying the benefits of the University Grants Commission?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) The Government of India is not aware of any "Oriental University" being established during the Second Five-Year Plan. Two Sanskrit Universities—namely, the Varanaseya Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Varanasi and K. S. Darbhanga Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Darbhanga—were, however, established during the Second Five-Year Plan.

(b) The Varanaseya Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya is enjoying the benefits of grants from the University Grants Commission. The question of making grants to the K. S. Darbhanga Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya is under consideration of the Commission.

Payment to Depositors of Palaj Central Bank

492. Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether any amount has since been paid to the depositors of Palaj Central Bank; and

(b) if so, the number and the amount paid other than the initial preferential payment?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) Yes.