(d) how many of them are pensionholders;

(e) how many of them are superannuated;

(f) how many of them are on deputation from other Government departments;

(g) whether any special posts have been created for certain officers with a special grade of salary;

(h) if so, the number of such officers and the amount of salary that they draw; and

(i) how many claims officers have been absorbed in the Settlement Department of the compensation scheme?

The Deputy Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri I K Bhonsle); (a)-

	(Date of all photosto).	(-)
Claims	Commissioners	17
Claims	Officers	

- (b) 173.
- (d) 32.
- (e) 72.
- (f) 12.
- (g) No.
- (g) NO.
- (h) Does not arise.
- (i) 2.

REPRESENTATIVES OF COLLIERY OWNERS

*425. Shri A. C. Guha: Will the Minister of **Production** be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Government and/ or semi-Government bodies or Committees to which representatives of colliery owners are taken;

(b) how these are taken, whather by election or by nomination; and

(c) whether these are taken on the basis of different organisations of colliery owners or on the basis of the general list of colliery owners?

The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) to (c). A statement containing information relating to Central Government bodies and/ or semi-Government bodies etc. is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 50].

FERTILISERS

*436. Shri Chinaria: Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state: (a) what quantity of fertilisers was produced by the Sindri Factory from October 1951 to August, 1952; (b) how much was imported from abroad during that period; and

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(c) how much of the fertilisers produced in Sindri Factory and imported from abroad has been consumed and what quantity of it was in stock at the end of that period (31st August, 1952)?

The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) 91,566 tons of Ammonium Sulphate.

(b) 1,84,000 tons of Ammonium Sulphate.

(c) The actual quantity of Ammonium Sulphate consumed in the country during the period under reference is not known. Out of the quantity of 91.566 tons produced by the Sindri Factory, and 1.84,000 tons imported from abroad, 65,353 tons and 1.53,287 tons, respectively, were supplied to the various State Governments and other consumers. The balance was in stock at the Sindri Factory or at the ports.

SHORTAGE OF PIG IRON

*437. Shri H. N. Makerjee: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the steps taken or those in contemplation for meeting the shortage of pig iron till the proposed factory with U.S.-Japanese cooperation is set up?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): Government propose to give all reasonable assistance to the principal producer of pig iron, namely, the Indian Iron and Steel Company to expand their production of pig ircn.

EXPORT OF HAND-LOOM CLOTH

•439. Shri Balakrishnan: (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether handloom cloth is exported to foreign countries?

(b) Which are the countries which import Indian handloom cloth?

(c) What kinds of handloom cloth are exported?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T, T. Krishnamachari): (a) Yes.

 (a) Yes.
(b) The principal countries which import Indian handloom cloths are: Burma, Malaya, Straits Settlements, Ceylon. Siam, Zanzibar, Sudan, Mauritus, Borneo, Java, Sumatra, Etji Islands and French West Africa.

(c) A list of varieties of handloom reloth usually exported is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 51].