

U.S.A. COTTON

*454. **Shrimati Renu Chakravarty:** (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state what are the total amount of imports of raw cotton from America during the years 1949-50, 1950-51 and 1951-52?

(b) How do the prices compare with Pakistan cotton?

(c) What are the total freight charges paid during this period for importing U.S.A. cotton?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(c) Rupees 53 crores approximately.

STATEMENT

Year	Imports of cotton from the U.S.A. (in bales of 400 lbs. each).	Average price of U.S.A. cotton per bale of 400 lbs.	Average price of Pakistan cotton per bale of 400 lbs.
		Rs.	Rs.
1949-50	22,198	689	510
1949-50	564,505	719	597
1951-52	687,518	910	1,080

QUESTIONNAIRE TO FOREIGN COMPANIES

*455. **Shri K. Subrahmanyam:** (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state how many foreign companies have replied to Government questionnaire with regard to the number and treatment of Indian employees?

(b) Has any foreign firm failed to furnish the information?

(c) If so, what action is proposed to be taken against such firms?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) 955 foreign companies have sent the required information on the employment of Indians and non-Indians in accordance with the Government of India notification of the 31st July, 1952.

(b) I believe some firms have not yet sent the information.

(c) The matter is receiving Government's consideration.

CHUNAR DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP

*457. **Shri Rup Narain:** Will the Minister of Rehabilitation be pleased to state:

(a) how many displaced persons have been kept in the Camp of Chunar in Mirzapur district of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether they have been given any vocational training in order to enable them to earn their livelihood in future; and

(c) what is the total annual expenditure on account of the said Camp?

The Deputy Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri J. K. Bhonsle): (a) 722 displaced women and children are accommodated at present. But recently it has been decided to raise the strength of the 'Home' to 1,200 (600 women and 600 children).

(b) Yes, those who are capable of being trained are given training.

(c) The estimated expenditure for the current financial year is Rs. 6,02,905.

EVACUEE PROPERTY IN BANARAS

*458. **Shri Rup Narain:** Will the Minister of Rehabilitation be pleased to state:

(a) how many cases of evacuee property have been executed by the District Custodian Officer in the district of Banaras; and

(b) how many cases executed in Banaras have been proved false?

The Deputy Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri J. K. Bhonsle): (a) and (b). I regret I do not follow what the hon. Member wants to know. If his intention is to ascertain the number of cases in which proceedings under the Evacuee Property Law were initiated, and the number in which proceedings were eventually dropped in the District of Banaras, this information is not readily available. It will be placed on the Table of the House when received.

DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEES IN U.P.

*459. **Shri Rup Narain:** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Uttar Pradesh Government have appointed the District Planning Committees in every district of Uttar Pradesh;