

Ltd., Volkart Bros.,—I do not know the name of the typewriter—and and Roneo Ltd.

**Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:** May I know whether these orders for the manufacture of typewriters in Germany have been given with the approval of this committee or the approval of Kaka Kalelkar?

**Shri T. T. Krishnamachari:** I thought I indicated that the orders were not given. The orders were, on the other hand, given to people who had their offices in India, and they had agreed to submit the machines for tests.

**Shrimati Kamlendu Mati Shah:** How does the price quoted by the Indian suppliers compare with the price quoted by the Americans?

**Shri T. T. Krishnamachari:** I am afraid I am not cognizant of this information. If notice is given, perhaps I would be able to send it on to the appropriate Ministry.

#### NAHAN FOUNDRY

\*1747. **Shri Bogawat:** (a) Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state whether centrifugal power pumps have been manufactured in the Nahan Foundry Limited?

(b) What are the prices of the various types of such pumps?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Production (Shri R. G. Dubey):** (a) and (b). Yes. The Nahan Foundry Ltd. started manufacture of centrifugal pumps during 1953-54 and have so far manufactured about 200 pumps. They are in seven types. The retail price varies from Rs. 112 to Rs. 340 per pump depending on the size and type of the pump.

**Shri Bogawat:** What is the delivery of the bullock-drawn pump per hour?

**Shri R. G. Dubey:** I believe 15,000 gallons, subject to correction.

**The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy):** May I add that the delivery depends on the size of the pump? The delivery ranges from a

maximum output of 26,000 gallons per hour to a minimum of 13,000 gallons per hour.

**Shri Muniswamy:** May I know whether both kinds of pumps—power and bullock-driven—are manufactured, and if so, how do the prices compare?

**Shri R. G. Dubey:** So far as the bullock-driven pump is concerned, it is with reference to a different type of pump. Recently, the factory has been investigating into the possibility of a pump which could be both power and bullock-driven for irrigation purposes.

#### CUSTODIAN OF ENEMY PROPERTY

\*1748. **Shri S. N. Das:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the office of the Controller of Enemy Trading and the Custodian of Enemy Property is still functioning;

(b) if so, the nature of work that still remains to be done in this connection; and

(c) the amount of property belonging to enemy countries, still held in India?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The main items of work of this office relate to (i) collection and processing of Indian claims against countries which were treated as enemy or enemy-occupied territories during the last war, and their nationals, (ii) maintenance of proper accounts of all vested assets and checking the genuineness of claims of nationals of ex-enemy and enemy-occupied countries for the return of these assets, and (iii) advising Government generally in matters of Debt Settlement Agreements.

(c) Rs. 580 lakhs, approximately.

**Shri S. N. Das:** May I know the present strength of the organisation and whether there has been any reduction recently in the strength?