

## GOPAL TEXTILE MILLS, BROACH

\*1420. **Shri C. Bhatt:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether Messers. Gopal Textile Mills, Broach has closed down suddenly on the 6th March, 1954;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Railway authorities did not supply wagons for coal to this Mill in time which has resulted in the closing down; and

(c) whether Government propose to supply immediately coal and also arrange for wagons to the said Mill?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):** (a) It is understood that Gopal Mills remained closed from 6th to 8th March, 1954.

(b) No, Sir. This Mill's monthly allotment was 68 wagons (1846 tons) which is their normal requirement on a two shift basis. During January and February 1954 the Railways had allotted 136 wagons.

(c) Arrangements have already been made for additional allotments of coal to this Mill which has recently started working a third shift.

## AVIATION SPIRIT

\*1421. **Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state the price of "Aviation Spirit" per gallon as on the 1st August, 1953 and 1st January, 1954?

**The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Sardar Swaran Singh):** A statement showing the prices is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 7.]

## पेन्सलीन फैक्टरी

\*१४२२. श्री राम जी वर्मा : क्या उत्पादन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे :

(क) पेन्सलीन फैक्टरी के लिये जो भवन बनाया जा रहा है उस पर कितना खर्च होने का अन्दाजा है ;

(ख) कब से इस फैक्टरी में उत्पादन कार्य प्रारम्भ होगा ; और

(ग) पेन्सलीन बनाने वाले संयंत्र की अनुमानित लागत क्या होगी ?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Production (Shri R. G. Dubey):** (a) The Factory buildings are estimated to cost about Rs. 56 lakhs.

(b) By about September this year.

(c) About Rs. 78 lakhs including equipment worth Rs. 40,46,000 contributed by the UNICEF, costs of various services and erection costs.

## CIGARETTES

\*1423. **Shri Radha Raman:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of cigarettes manufactured in India during the year 1953-54 as far as figures are available; and

(b) the share of foreign capital in the cigarette industry in India?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) 16,502 million Nos. during 1953 April to 1954 January.

(b) Reported to be about Rs. 16 crores as on 1st November, 1953. (This excludes fresh investments in the form of goods, equipment and re-investments made out of the profits after 30th June, 1948.)

## COAL TAR PRODUCTS

\*1424. **Shri Nanadas:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to take any steps for the utilisation of coal tar products and of the by-products of coal in the country; and

(b) if so, what they are?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):** (a) Government have this matter under consideration.