

## STEEL PLANT

- \*4. { Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha:  
 Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:  
 Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:  
 Seth Govind Das:  
 Shri T. Subrahmanyam:  
 Shri R. N. Singh:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any offer from Britain for the installation of a steel plant in India;

(b) if so, whether Government have examined the offer; and

(c) whether any decision has been arrived at?

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

(a) to (c). An Indian industrialist has had discussions with businessmen and bankers in the U.K. regarding possibility of securing financial and technical co-operation for putting up a steel plant in India. Certain ideas which have emerged are being studied.

## EXPORT OF TEA

\*5. Pandit Munishwar Datt Upadhyay: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the percentages of export of tea to U. S. A., Canada and Middle East countries;

(b) how the agreement between Ceylon and Egypt for supply of tea is likely to affect the export of tea by India to Egypt;

(c) the effect of propaganda for our tea in U.S.A. and Canada on our exports to these countries; and

(d) the amount spent on propaganda in those countries in 1953-54?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar): (a) and (d). A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 4.]

(b) An agreement between Ceylon and Egypt was concluded only in August, 1954, and it is not known to what extent Ceylonese tea has moved to Egypt under this agreement. It is,

accordingly, too early to assess the effect of this agreement on our tea export to Egypt.

(c) There has been a steady increase in exports of Indian tea to the U.S.A. The Tea Council in Canada started functioning only in June, 1954 and it is too early to assess the result. Export of Indian tea to that country has, however, generally been maintained.

## U.S. MILITARY AID TO PAKISTAN

\*7. Shri Krishnacharya Joshi: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether Government have any information regarding the military aid given by U.S.A. to Pakistan in the implementation of U.S.A. Pakistan Military Agreement?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shri Anil K. Chanda): The Government of India are aware that under the U.S.-Pakistan Military Aid Agreement, the United States has agreed to render military aid to Pakistan. They have, however, no information regarding the details of the aid being given by the United States.

## SECURITY COUNCIL

\*8. Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain countries have expressed the view that India should be allowed a permanent seat in the Security Council;

(b) if so, the names of the countries; and

(c) whether Government have received any communication from them in this matter?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shri Anil K. Chanda): (a) and (b). Government of India have no information. Some individuals have given expressions to this view.

(c) No.