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(b) the names of the countries from which they are mainly imported;

(c) the steps, if any, taken to manufacture the same in this country; and

(d) the progress made so far?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar): (a) and (b). The information asked for is not available, as porcelain teeth are not separately shown in import trade statistics.

(c) and (d). A firm in Delhi was granted a licence in 1953 to import plant for the manufacture of porcelain teeth. Part of the plant has arrived and production is expected to commence in 6 to 8 month's time.

Shri V. K. Krishna Menon's Visit to China, U.K. and U.S.A.

*761. Shri G. P. Sinha > Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state the purpose of the visit of Shri Krishna Menon to China, U.K. and U.S.A. in the month of June, 1955?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): Shri Krishna Menon, as Leader of the Government of India's Delegation to the United Nations and otherwise also on behalf of the Government, has been engaged in conversations with various governments in regard to important international issues. Last year, at the time of the Geneva Conference relating to Indo-China, his presence in Geneva was of great help. Subsequently, he has discussed these problems as well as other international problems of importance with representatives of the U.S.A., U.K., Canada and China. His visit to Peking was at the invitation of Premier Chou En-lai.

Indo-China

*763. Shri D. C. Sharma : Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any reports from the three International Supervisory Commissions in Indo-China; and

(b) if so, the nature of those reports?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri J. N. Hazarika): (a) The Government of India have received the following reports from the three International Commissions for Supervision and Control in Viet-Nam, Laos and Cambodia;

(i) First, second and third Interim Reports from the International Commission in Viet-Nam covering the periods 11-8-54 to 10-12-54, 11-12-54 to 10-2-55 and 11-2-55 to 10-4-55 respectively. (ii) Interim Report from the International Commission in Laos.

(iii) First and second Interim Reports from the International Commission in Cambodia covering the periods 11-8-54 to 21-12-54 and 1-1-55 to 31-3-55 respectively.

(b) The reports give an account of the activities of the three Commissions, the progress made and the difficulties encouptered by them in implementing the Cease Fire Agreements signed at Geneva on the 20th July, 1954.

Betel Leaves

*765. Shrimati Ile Palchoudhury : Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity and value of betel leaves exported to Pakistan during the period from the 1st January to the 30th June, 1955; and

(b) the names of the States which exported these betel leaves; and

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar): (a) and (b). During the Ist January to 30th June, 1955 betel leaves valued at Rs. 56,554/- were exported to Pakistan. Information about the quantity of betel leaves and the States which exported them is not available.

Flood Control

***766.** Shri A. N. Vidyalankar : Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have investigated the possibilities of utilizing the Chinese method of flood control by utilising cheap indigenous material like bamboo, grass and boughs of trees;

(b) whether experiments have been tried on these lines; and

(c) if so, where and with what results?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi) : (a) to (c) Such material is used in China for protecting banks as a purely temporary measure and not as a method of flood control. This is being done here also.

Nuclear Reactor

•769. Shri M. Islamuddin : Will the Prime Minister be pleased to stat :

(a) whether it is a fact that Gove ment propose to set up a second Nuclear Reactor, in addition to the nuclear reactor now bein 1 set up in Bombay;

(o) the place where it will be set up; and