

a statistical review of world trade in Cotton Textiles for the first half of 1955. A copy of the review conducted by him is placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in the Library, See No. S-344/55].

(a) India continued to hold the second place in world trade. Although the world trade in cotton textiles during the first six months of 1955 declined by 9% as compared with January-June 1954, India's exports dropped by 6.10 only.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in the Library, See No. S-344/55.]

### Second Five Year Plan

\*2176. **Shri R. S. Diwan** : Will the Minister of **Planning** be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to postpone the finalization of the Second Five Year Plan of the multilingual States until the publication of the report of the States Re-organisation Commission, and

(b) if so, the names of those States ?

**The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra)** : (a) and (b). The Planning Commission has been examining the State Plans as they have been submitted. Work on the second five year plan is proceeding and it is not expected that it will be finalised before the publication of the Report of the States Reorganisation Commission.

### News Bulletins of A.I.R.

\*2177. **Shri Kamath** : Will the Minister of **Information and Broadcasting** be pleased to state :

(a) whether any criteria have been laid down for the inclusion of news items in the News Bulletins of A.I.R. and

(b) if so, what they are ?

**The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar)** : (a) and (b). Subject to authenticity, accuracy and good taste, the News Division of the All India Radio is given discretion to include items strictly on the basis of news value.

### A.I.R. Station, Vijayawada

\*2178. **Shri S. V. L. Narasimham** : Will the Minister of **Information and Broadcasting** be pleased to state :

(a) the pre-requisites for introducing Radio Programme for industrial workers ; and

(b) whether the A.I.R. Station at Vijayawada broadcasts any programme exclusively for industrial workers ?

**The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar)** : (a) The pre-requisites for introducing radio programmes for industrial workers are a sufficiently large industrial population within the service range of a Radio Station and provision of satisfactory listening arrangements by the State Government(s) and/or the employers.

(b) No, Sir.

### Bilaspur Merger

\*2180. **Dr. Satyavadi** : Will the Minister of **Irrigation and Power** be pleased to refer to the reply given to starred question No 982 on the 9th December, 1954 and state:

(a) the main recommendations of the Committee appointed last year to determine the minimum area to be transferred from Bilaspur to Punjab for the Bhakra Nangal Project ; and

(b) the Government's decision thereon ?

**The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi)** : (a) and (b). The Report is still under consideration of the Government and it would not be in the public interest to disclose the recommendations of the Committee at this stage.

### Indian Handicrafts Exhibition in Moscow

\*2181. **Shri Radha Raman** : Will the Minister of **Production** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an exhibition of Indian handicrafts is being organised at Moscow by the All India Handicrafts Board ;

(b) if so, when and for what period ; and

(c) which particular commodities will be displayed at the exhibition ?

**The Deputy Minister of Production (Shri Satish Chandra)** : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The exhibition is expected to commence at the end of September 1955 and will continue for about a month.

(c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix XI, annexure No. 6].