

(b) the unit value index of our imports excluding foodgrains during the same period; and

(c) whether any calculation has been made of the loss to India through (i) a fall in the relative prices of our exports during the last 10 years (ii) the rise in the relative prices of our imports (excluding foodgrains) during the same period?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 59].

(c) No calculations have so far been made because of the fact that it requires a detailed and voluminous study involving commodity-wise analysis of the increases and decreases in unit values of exports and imports after making necessary adjustments for the subsequent corrections in respect of the published figures.

उत्तर प्रदेश में चाय की खेती

५१०. श्री भक्त दर्शन : क्या वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उन के ध्यान में यह बात आई है कि कुछ वर्ष पहले तक उत्तर प्रदेश के पर्वतीय जिलों यथा देहरादून, गढ़वाल, नेनीताल, अल्मोड़ा, पिथौरागढ़, चमौली, टिहरी व उत्तर-काशी में चाय की खेती काफी बड़े पैमाने पर होती थी, लेकिन इस बीच यह बहुत घट गई है और घटती जा रही है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इस सम्बन्ध में वास्तविक स्थिति पर प्रकाश डालने वाला एक विवरण सभा-पटल पर रखा जायेगा ?

वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्रालय में अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय व्यापार मंत्री (श्री मनुभाई शाह) : (क) चाय बोर्ड के रिकार्डों के

अनुसार उत्तर प्रदेश के देहरादून, अल्मोड़ा, पिथौरागढ़ और गढ़वाल के अलावा १९४९ तक और कहीं भी चाय बागान नहीं थे ।

उत्तर प्रदेश में चाय का उत्पादन जो १९५२ में ७८२,८०२ कि० ग्रा० था, वह १९६१ में बढ़ कर ८६२,५५८ कि० ग्रा० हो गया है ।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता ।

Trade Delegations to East European Countries

511. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether an Indian Trade Delegation undertook a tour of the East European countries;

(b) the personnel of this delegation and the countries it visited;

(c) whether it has submitted its report; and

(d) if so, what are its main features?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir. The Trade Delegation has not yet completed its tour.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 60.]

(c) and (d). Copies of Trade Agreements, as and when concluded by the Trade Delegation, are being placed in the Parliament Library.

Licensing of New Industries

**512. { Shri Ram Ratan Gupta:
Manarajkumar Vijaya
Ananda:**

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

(a) whether any priority has been fixed for licensing of new industries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) and (b). It is proposed to give the highest priority to industries having a direct bearing on the defence effort, both for licensing under the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act and for Capital Goods imports.

The policy with regard to licensing under the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act for other industries is being reviewed. Government propose shortly to issue a revised expanded list of industries with regard to which applications will automatically be rejected.

Apart from the foreign exchange requirements of industries directed to Defence, which will have the highest priority, the licensing of Capital Goods will be based on the priority list of 21 industries, which was recently announced.

Drug Industry

513. { Shri Ram Ratan Gupta:
Maharajkumar Vijaya
Amanda:
Shrimati Renuka Ray:

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

(a) whether there is any proposal to nationalise the Drug Industry due to high cost of production; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Import of Printing Machinery

514. { Shri A. S. Saigal:
Shri Narendra Singh Mahida:
Shri P. K. Ghosh:
Shri Kapur Singh:

{ Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri Kajrolkar:

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

(a) the total value of printing machinery imported during each of the years from 1955 to 1961 from general currency area; and

(b) the total value of printing machinery imported during each of the years from 1955 to 1961 from rupee account area?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 61].

State Trading Corporation

515. { Shri Bishanchander Seth:
Shri E. Madhusudan Rao:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1757 on the 27th August, 1962 and state whether the question of setting up of another State Trading Corporation has been considered?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): The question of setting up of another State Trading Corporation is under active consideration.

Import of Rock Salt from Pakistan

516. **Shri Himatsingka:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of Rock Salt imported from Pakistan during 1962;

(b) what price was paid by the importer at rail head in Pakistan or f.o.r. Indian Border; and

(c) at what price the importer has supplied to dealers or wholesalers in Calcutta?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and