Pradesh during 1962-63 for the development of Small Scale Industries?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and (Shri Kanungo): The following amounts of loans have been sanctioned to Andhra Pradesh during 1962-63 for the development of Small Scale Industries:—

Rs.

(i) Small Scale Industries 28.08 lakhs

(ii) Industrial Estates . 34.66 lakhs

TOTAL . 62.74 lakhs

Issue of Industrial Licences in Andhra Pradesh

1466. Shri E. Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications for industrial licences received from Andhra Pradesh during 1962-63; and
- (b) the number of applications which were granted licences during the same period?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) 70 (upto 25th March, 1963).

(b) 54 licences have been issued during 1962-63 (upto 25th March, 1963).

Projects in Andhra Pradesh with Russian Aid

1467. Shri E. Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the projects, if any, set up in Andhra Pradesh with Russian help during the First, Second and Third Plan periods; and
- (b) the nature of production and production capacity of each?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) and (b). The information is being collected, and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Prices of Cycle Tyres and Tubes

- 1468. Shri Pratap Singh: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:
- (a) the factory and ex-factory prices at present of cycle tyres and tubes in India, factory-wise;
- (b) the market price of these tyres and tubes;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that there is no price control on the sale of these tyres and tubes and the price charged by the dealers is too high; and
- (d) if so, the action Government propose to take to reduce the high prices charged by the dealers?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) to (d). A statement is placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library, See No. LT-1074/63].

Shortage of Cycle Tyres and Tubes

1469. Shri Pratap Singh: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that at present there is a great shortage of cycle tyres and tubes in India;
- (b) the annual requirement and the consumption of these tyres and tubes in India;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the factories, due to the poor production, have refused supply to the new dealers; and
- (d) if so, how Government propose to help the new dealers to get some quotas and also make this Industry self-sufficient to meet the increasing demand of the public?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) No, Sir; judging by production figures.

- (b) The estimated requirements of cycle tyres and tubes in 1963 is about 12 million numbers each while the estimated production is 13 million numbers each.
- (c) and (d). Owing to consumer preference for certain brands, manufacturers of those brands have been able to supply all the requirements of new dealers since their production alone is not sufficient to meet the demand. Besides these manufacturers, however, there are 10 other licensed units which manufacture cycle tyres and tubes and the overall indigenous production is considered to be sufficient not only for meeting internal requirements but for some export as well. The question of licensing some more units against future demand is also under consideration.

Retention Price of Steel Shri Sham Lal Saraf: Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah: Shri R. S. Pandey:

Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have decided to allow producers of steel a marginal increase in its retention price;
- (b) whether this increase in the steel price will necessitate revising the Industrial and Engineering Projects already sanctioned in the Public Sector under the Third Plan; and
- (c) whether it has been estimated by now as to what will be the total effect on projects by this price variation in the price of steel?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam):
(a) The question of allowing an increase on the retention price of steel owing to the rise in railway freight and royalty on minerals, implementation of the Interim Wage Board Award, and incidence of the War Risks Insurance premia is at present under consideration.

(b) and (c). Increase in the retention price payable to the main producers of steel does not necessarily mean an increase in the sale price of steel to the public. The question whether when the retention price is increased, the sale price to the public should also be raised will be examined at the appropriate time, having regard to all relevant considerations.

Paper Factory at Mansurpur, U.P.

1471. Shri Sham Lal Saraf: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a paper factory will be started at Mansurpur in Muzaffarnagar District in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the total capital outlay thereof; and
- (c) the type of paper proposed to be manufactured in this factory and what will be its total production?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) A licence has been issued for the setting up of a paper factory in Mansurpur.

- (b) Rs. 719:15 lakhs.
- (c) 21,000 tons per annum of writing, printing and wrapping papers.

Industrial Cooperatives

1472. Shri Krishna Deo Tripathi: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of industrial cooperatives in India at the end of 1962-63 classified State-wise and industrywise; and
- (b) the number of industrial cooperatives contemplated at the completion of the Third Plan (State-wise and industry-wise)?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) Data for the cooperative year 1962-63 would be available only after 30th June, 1963.