

(b) the quantity of stainless steel proposed to be allotted to that State during 1964-65?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) No allotment of Stainless Steel Sheets has been made to Rajasthan during 1963-64.

(b) Matter is under consideration.

Export of Indian goods to France

1375. { Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:
Shri Murli Manohar:

Will the Minister of International Trade be pleased to state:

(a) whether France has increased the import quota for certain Indian goods; and

(b) if so, which?

The Minister of International Trade (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The French Government have—

(i) Agreed to liberalise the import of woollen carpets, kashmir rugs, sports goods, basketware and the temporary import into France of Jute Manufactures intended for the purposes of packing for re-export;

(ii) Pending the formal notification of the above liberalisation the French Government have agreed to licences freely the import of these items into France;

(iii) Granted increased quotas for Mushrooms, Cotton Textiles, Jute manufactures, cloth and bags (for home market only) Synthetic and artificial fibre, fabrics, Coir goods for floor coverings, Misc. Textiles (Scraves shawls, sarees etc.), handicrafts and sewing machines:

(iv) Maintained quotas for tinned fruits and juices, Plastic goods

and Woollen Hosiery at the same level as 1963; and

(v) Agreed to consider the grant of additional quotas for all items under (iii) and (iv) above under a betterment clause provided the quotas already granted are utilised in full before the 31st December, 1964.

Fuller's Earth and Gypsum Deposits

1376. **Shri M. Rampure:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether any geological survey has been made in the Gulbarga District of Mysore State;

(b) if so, whether large deposits of Fuller's earth and gypsum were found; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to utilise the valuable material?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) Yes.

(b) Yes. The total quantity available in the area has been estimated by the Geological Survey of India at 166,700 tonnes.

(c) Proposals for utilisation of the material, as and when received, will be considered by Government.

Limestone in Gulbarga District (Mysore State)

1377. **Shri M. Rampure:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the limestone of a very superior quality is available in the Gulbarga District of Mysore State;

(b) if so, the quantity available; and

(c) whether Government propose to start a cement factory there?