

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Commerce (Shri Shafi Qureshi) :**

(a) A large number of Fairs/Exhibitions are held every year throughout the world. We have no information on the actual number.

(b) India participated in forty-one International Trade Fairs. Decisions to participate in international fairs are taken after due examination of the comparative advantages of different events and taking into account our limitations of foreign exchange and other resources.

#### Issue of Import Licences

**5700. Shri S. R. Damani :** Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for the issue of import licences that were pending before the authorities as on the 1st May, 1967; and

(b) the extent and the manner in which the same have been disposed off?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Commerce (Shri Shafi Qureshi) :**

(a) 8194.

(b) 2130 applications have been disposed of by issue of licences and 1882 by issue of rejection or deficiency letters. The remaining applications, which relate to the import of non-ferrous metals, from new units are pending as the import policy in this respect is under examination in consultation with the sponsoring authorities concerned.

#### Hindustan Machine Tools, Bangalore

**5701. Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya :**

**Shri Y. A. Prasad :**

**Shri Ram Kishan Gupta :**

**Shri Yashpal Singh :**

**Shri R. K. Sinha :**

**Shri S. C. Samanta :**

**Shri Tridib Kumar Chaudhuri :**

**Shri S. N. Maiti :**

**Shri A. K. Kisku :**

**Shri N. K. Sanghi :**

Will the Minister of **Industrial Development and Company Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a statement by Shri S. M. Patil, Mg. Director of the Hindustan Machine Tools, Bangalore saying that "HMT's financial and business conditions at present were extremely critical";

(b) if so, the causes that have led to this position; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to improve the situation?

**The Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs (Shri F. A. Ahmed) :**

(a) and (b). Yes, Sir. In view of the fall in demand for machine tools, there has been some accumulation of stocks with the Company, which has affected full utilisation of capacity and caused a setback in their financial position.

(c) To meet the present situation, the Company propose to diversify production by taking up the manufacture of new and sophisticated machines and intensify their export promotion efforts.

देश में स्थापित किये गये उद्योग

**5702. श्री राम सिंह अग्रवाल :**

**श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :**

क्या औद्योगिक विकास तथा समन्वय कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1966-67 में केन्द्रीय सरकार की वित्तीय सहायता से देश में विभिन्न राज्यों में कितने उद्योग स्थापित किये गये;

(ख) वर्ष 1966-67 में उनको कुल कितनी वित्तीय सहायता दी गई; और

(ग) राज्य सरकारों द्वारा कितने ही उद्योग चलाये जा रहे हैं ?