

pect of import of some scarce items in the domestic market like mutton tallow, stainless steel, palm oil, brass scrapes, black centres and pharmaceutical chemicals under the so called Export Promotion Scheme; and

(b) if so, the nature of action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) and (b). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Findings of Export Panels on Caravelle Crash at Santa Cruz Airport**

2998. SHRI VASANT SATHE: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received report from the expert panels on the caravelle crash at Santa Cruz Airport on 12th October last year; and

(b) if so, the details of the findings of panels and the action taken or proposed to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAUSHIK): (a) A Court of Inquiry headed by Shri Justice S. B. Bhasme has been appointed to investigate into the accident to Indian Airlines' Caravelle aircraft at Santa Cruz Airport on 12th October 1976. The report of the Court of Inquiry is awaited.

(b): Does not arise.

जाली फर्मों को आयात लाइसेंस जारी किया जाना

2999. श्री हुकम देव नारायण यादव :  
वाणिज्य तथा नागरिक पूर्ति और सहकारिता

मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1975-76 के दौरान ऐसे मामलों का ब्योरा क्या है, जिनमें आयात लाइसेंस जाली फर्मों को दिये गये थे और आयातित सामान की चोर बाजारी की गई थी ; और

(ख) क्या सरकार का विचार इस बारे में जांच करने और दोषी व्यक्तियों को दण्डित करने का है और यदि हां, तो उन्हें किस प्रकार का दण्ड देने का प्रस्ताव है ?

वाणिज्य तथा नागरिक पूर्ति और सहकारिता मंत्री (श्री मोहन धारिया) : (क) और (ख). जानकारी एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

**Crisis in Textile Industry due to Cotton Prices**

3000. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN KADANNAPPALLI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is aware of the crisis in the textile industry due to the cotton prices;

(b) whether Government have taken any steps to check the rise in cotton prices; and

(c) if so, the progress made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) and (b). A Statement is attached.

(c) As a result of the measures taken by Government, cotton prices have either come down marginally or have displayed steadiness.