

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 9. | Maharashtra | 12.94 | 14.82 | 16.07 |
| 10. | Manipur | 0.43 | — | — |
| 11. | Meghalaya | 2.50 | — | — |
| 12. | Nagaland | 0.53 | — | 1.25 |
| 13. | Orissa | 2.00 | 0.90 | 0.36 |
| 14. | Punjab | 4.99 | 5.50 | 2.53 |
| 15. | Rajasthan | 1.74 | 2.23 | 1.91 |
| 16. | Tamil Nadu | 7.51 | 13.02 | 12.12 |
| 17. | Tripura | — | 0.42 | — |
| 18. | Uttar Pradesh | 12.67 | 0.09 | — |
| 19. | West Bengal | — | — | 6.58 |
| TOTAL : | | 70.79 | 58.56 | 70.16 |

Import of Woollen Rags

7158. SHRI MOOL CHAND DAGA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of import of woollen rags during the last three years showing the amount and country wherefrom imported giving yearly figures;

(b) whether it is a fact that there have been instances when such imports had been misused and there were enquiries by Government, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the safeguards contemplated to avoid misuse of import policy which has been liberalised recently; and

(d) whether the import of old woollen garments used by public does not affect our national image and indigenous industry ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRASHEKHAR SINGH) : (a) Import figures are avail-

able for the period upto December, 1982, only. A statement showing the particulars of import of woollen rags during 1980-81, 1981-82 and 1982-83 upto December, 1982 is annexed.

(b) Collector of Customs, Bombay, where majority of import of rags take place, has reported that several instances of abuse of such imports have come to notice. Bombay Customs had some time in middle of 1984 carried out series of searches resulting in the seizure of huge quantities of unmultiplied woollen rags which had been removed from port premises unauthorisedly.

(c) Under the current Import-Export Policy :

(i) import of woollen rags is permitted in pre-mutilated form only; and

(ii) Actual Users (Industrial) alone are eligible to import.

(d) No, Sir, since only pre-mutilated rags can now be imported.

Statement

Statement showing country-wise Import of Woolen Rags during 1980-81 to 1983-83
(Upto December, 1982)

| Name of the country | 1980-81 | | 1981-82 | | 1982-83 (upto Dec., 1982) | |
|---------------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | Qty. | Value | Qty. | Value | Qty. | Value |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Australia | 2110 | 98.72 | 2637 | 150.93 | 1075 | 67.33 |
| Belgium | 2713 | 115.58 | 6201 | 267.42 | 6599 | 306.06 |
| Canada | 749 | 35.65 | 490 | 23.71 | 455 | 34.58 |
| China Rep. | 33 | 2.91 | 19 | 1.76 | -- | -- |
| China P. Rep. | 25 | 1.07 | 51 | 4.82 | -- | -- |
| France | 1101 | 61.94 | 346 | 17.82 | 210 | 10.99 |
| German F. Rep. | 444 | 16.23 | 235 | 8.13 | 141 | 6.38 |
| Hongkong | 18 | 2.23 | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Italy | 16 | 2.31 | -- | -- | -- | -- |

Qty. in Thousand kgs.
Value in Rs. lakhs

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|-------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| Japan | 3008 | 94.20 | 3657 | 122.00 | 2194 | 78.22 |
| Netherlands | 3084 | 121.68 | 481 | 24.26 | 458 | 19.67 |
| U.K. | 29626 | 37.02 | 448 | 43.96 | 785 | 57.45 |
| U.S.A. | 282 | 10.50 | 2309 | 115.09 | 2476 | 140.99 |
| New Zealand | 79 | 3.03 | 322 | 14.19 | 231 | 18.33 |
| Afghanistan | 8 | 0.33 | — | — | — | — |
| Others | — | — | 41 | 1.70 | 37 | 3.27 |
| Total : | 43296 | 603.40 | 17637 | 795.79 | 14661 | 743.27 |