been given letter of intent for starting at Nandyal in kurnool district, Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) the steps taken by the Union Government for helping expeditious conassuction of spinning mills?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRASEKHAR SINGH):

(a) 30 letters of intent for spinning mills are valid at present but information about the extent of construction is not available since such information is furnished by the parties at the time of asking for C.O.B. licence.

- (b) A letter of intent has been issued to M/s Nandyal Cooperative Spinning Mills Ltd., for the establishment of a new undertaking at Nandyal in Kurnool District of Andhra Pradesh.
- (c) The National Cooperative Development Corporation provides assistance to the State Governments for contributing towards the share capital of cooperative spinning mills.

Import of bank note paper

- 3673. SHRI RAMESHWAR NEEKHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have imported a huge quantity of bank note paper from abroad; and
- (b) if so, the number of metric tonnes of paper imported during the year 1984-85 and the quantity likely to be imported in the remaining part of the year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government imported 1,750 metric tonnes of bank note paper in 1984-85 and have contracted to import 5,500 metric tonnes of such paper in 1985-86.

[Translation]

Avenues of promotions to employees of nationalised banks

3674, SHRI JITENDRA PRASADA:
Will the Minister of FINANCE be
pleased to state:

- (a) whether very few avenues of promotions are available to the employees in all the nationalised subsidiary banks of State Bank of India such as State Bank of Patiala, State Bank of Mysore, State Bank of Travancore etc. as a result of which discontentment is spreading among them; and
- (b) if so, the measures being taken to remove it and if not the factual position in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) State Bank of India has reported that a number of promotional opportunities are available to employees/officers at various levels in the subsidiary banks. The bank has further reported that it is not aware of any discontentment among the employees of subsidiary banks on this account.

(b) Does not arise,

[English]

Export of Shellac and Seedlac

3675. SHRI MANVENDRA SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of exports of shellac and seedlac from India to five regular buyer foreign countries during 1984-85;
- (b) how does it compare with the export in the year 1933-84; and
- (c) whether Government propose to take any steps to increase the export of shellac and seedlac in the coming years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) A statement is given below.