

eligible units on the basis of their entitlements. The present internal guidelines of SAIL follow the same principle.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) No, Sir. Approval of the Government is not necessary.

(e) does not arise

Sale of Billets and Semis by Steel Plants

8237. SHRIMATI MALINI BHAT-TACHARYA
SHRI MANIK SANYAL

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state

(a) the quantity of scraps, billets and semis sold in auction, tenders and package deals for free trade/compensation deals by stockyards of Steel Authority of India Ltd., plant-wise for the period 1986 to December, 1989;

(b) the quantities generated of shearings, curtings of all types, rejected inlots, butts, etc. by SAIL, plant-wise for the above period;

(c) the quantities of above material given to steel re-rollers, State-wise by SAIL,

plant-size for the above period; and

(d) the number of cases of violation by SAIL of joint Plant Committee guidelines, category-wise and plant-wise in their deals?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES AND MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) to (d). The precise information desired is not available. Moreover, compilation of such elaborate data involves considerable labour and time and may not be commensurate with the ultimate results sought to be achieved.

Talks on Trade and Economies with Foreign Countries

8238. SHRI P. M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the countries with which trade and economies talks have been held during the last six months;

(b) the outcome of the talks held particularly with the United States;

(c) whether talks with some countries have failed; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI AR-ANGIL SHREEDHARAN): (a) to (d). A statement is given below.

STATEMENT

<i>Name of the countries with which Trade and Economies talks have been held</i>	<i>The outcome of the talks</i>
1	2
Tunisia	At the conclusion of Trade Talks agreed minutes were signed.
People Democratic Republic of Yemen	
Bhutan	Agreement on trade and Commerce between India and Bhutan was reviewed and the text of the documents was signed.
Nepal	Bilateral relations between India and Nepal including matters relating to bilateral trade and transit facilities were reviewed.
U.S.A.	Under the auspices of Indo-US Economic and Commercial sub Commission, a meeting was held between the officials of Government of USA and Government of India at Washington on 2nd-3rd April, 1990. During the meeting views were exchanged on bilateral trade and investment, counter-voiling and anti-dumping duties, insurance, Textiles, intellectual property, health and sanitation regulations of US FDA, motion pictures, export subsidies and areas before the Uruguay Round on multilateral trade negotiations. The meeting facilitated better appreciation of each others positions.

<i>Name of the countries with which Trade and Economics talks have been held</i>	<i>The outcome of the talks</i>
1	2

Philippines

During 9-10 April, 1990, the second meeting of the Joint Working Group of Indo-Philippines (JTC) was held in New Delhi. The two sides held discussions for boosting, diversifying and balancing trade and enhancing bilateral economic cooperation by way of setting up of joint ventures and transfer of technologies. Areas of export interest to either side were identified and areas where joint ventures could be set up and transfer of technology could take place were listed in the Agreed Minutes signed between the two sides.

Vietnam

An agreement, in principle, has been reached on signing a Trade Protocol between India and Vietnam.

Thailand

Fourth meeting of Indo-Thai J.T.C. was held in Bangkok during 22-23 February, 1990. Both sides reviewed bilateral trade and held discussions for diversifying bilateral trade and measures for trade promotions and identified areas of export interest to each country.

USSR

Poland

<i>Name of the countries with which Trade and Economies talks have been held</i>	<i>The outcome of the talks</i>
1	2
Czechoslovakia	Trade plans for 1990 have been concluded.
GDR	
Romania	
Belgo-Luxembourg	The agreement on economic, Industrial, scientific and technological cooperation between the Government of Republic of India and the Belgo-Luxembourg Economic Union was signed.
Finland	Review of economic situation, development of bilateral trade- economic, industrial and technical co-operation etc. Agreed minutes were signed.
Austria	Review of Indian and Austrian Economic situation, bilateral trade, industrial and economic co-operation etc. Agreed minutes were signed
Senegal	Review of economic situation, development of bilateral trade and possibilities of counter trade to increase export from India to Senegal

<i>Name of the countries with which Trade and Economies talks have been held</i>	<i>The outcome of the talks</i>
1	2
Cuba	Indo-Cuban Joint Commission meetings were held in New Delhi in April, 1990. As a part of the deliberations, the economic situation, further development of bilateral trade and areas of industrial and technical co-operation were reviewed. Agreed minutes were signed.