(d) and (e) The letters pertain to a large variety of issues which are dealt with by various Ministries, Departments and other organisations of the Government of India. Besides, many of them also pertain to matters which are in the sphere of State Govern-Ministries/Departments ments. The concerned collect the relevant materials from other agencies of the Central and State Governments concerned and prepare the appropriate replies for the letters concerned. There is no system for centralised tabulation of replies sent to Members of Parliament by various Ministries/Departments.

As replying to letters often involves collection of materials from a large variety of sources, the final reply takes considerable time. In such cases, an interim reply is sent assuring the Member that after the materials have been collected, an appropriate reply would be sent. Ministries/Departments make fortnightly tabulation of the letters received from Members of Parliament and replies given thereto.

## Clearance of pending proposals from Orissa

2000. SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of proposals from Government of Orissa regarding registration of new industries pending with the Union Government:
- (b) whether the Government propose to clear these proposals at the earliest; and
- (c) if so, the time by which such clearance is likely to be given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. KURIAN): (a) to (c) No proposal from Government of Orissa for registration of new industrial undertaking is pending at present. As per the new Industrial Policy, the schemes of Delicensing/Exempted Industries/DGTD registration stand abolished.

[Translation]

## **Export of Maruti Vehicles**

2001. SHRI SURYA NARAYAN YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of countries where the vehicles of Maruti Udyog Limited are being exported;
- (b) the extent of foreign exchange earned from the exported vehicles during 1990;
- (c) whether the Government propose to export Maruti vehicles to many other countries also; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Maruti vehicles are being exported to 36 countries.

- (b) During 1990-91 Maruti Udyog Ltd. earned US \$ 18.17 million through exports.
  - (c) Not at the moment.
  - (d) Does not arise.

## Stock of Foodgrains

2002. SHRI HARIKEWAL PRA-SAD: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

- (a) the total stock of foodgrains in the country at present;
- (b) whether foodgrains are available according to the requirements of the country;
- (c) if not, whether foodgrains are likely to be imported; and
  - (d) if so, quantity and rates thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) The estimated stocks of foodgrains with the public agencies as on 1st July, 1991, inclusives of stocks reportedly held by the State Governments, were of the order of 21 million tonnes,