the Seventh Five Year Plan target of 9.23 lakh persons. The Government of Kerala is, however, reassessing the number of people employed in Coir Industry.

(d) The Coir Board is implementing various schemes during Seventh Five Year Plan. Financial assistance is being provied to attract entrepreneurs particularly in brown fibre sector to give a fillip to production. Adequate publicity measures to improve the demand are being taken.

Foreign Collaborations

5179. SHRI R.P. DAS : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the number and details of the foreign collaborations signed between 1984 and 1987; and

(b) how many of them are repetitive collaborations with details ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALA RAO): (a) Government has approved 752,1024, 157 and 853 proposals for foreign collaboration during 1984, 1985, 1986 and 1987 respectively. The particulars of foreign collaboration proposals approved viz the name of Indian company, foreign collaborator, item of manufacture, nature of collaboration are published on monthly basis by the Indian Investment Centre as a supplement to the monthly news letter. Copies of this publication are sent regularly to Parliament Library. A statement showing industry wise break-up of FC approvals during this period is given below.

(b) Technology may be allowed import for similar items from different sources, with a view to meet increasing local demands export, generation, technological upgradation, generating effective competition both for national and international markets, quality improvement, healthy industrial growth, making available a wider product range to meet varying demands from different consumers etc. In general, restricting import of technology from limited sources is not likely to be in the interest of both industry and the user.

Statement

List of Industry-Wise Break-up of Foreign Collaboration Cases Approved by the Government during the Year of 1984 to 87

SI. No.	Name of the Industry	1584	1985	1986	1987
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Mettallurgical Industries	26	53	45	29
2.	Fuels	4	20	3	1
3.	Boilers & Steam Generating Plants	3	13	5	1
4.	Prime Movers (Other than				
	Elect. Generators)	6	15		
5.	Electrical Equipment	157	205	175	183
€.	Telecommunication	3	36	37	16
7.	Transportation	63	101	53	39
8.	Industrial Machinery	138	152	108	132
9.	Machine Tools	34	32	13	10
10.	Agricultural Machinery	2	3	3	
11.	Earth Moving Machinery	4	11	~	

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12.	Misc. Mechanical & Engg Industry	44	45	47	50
13.	Commercial, Offices & House				
	Hold Equipments	3	20	10	7
14.	Medical & Surgical Appliances	1	5	12	10
15.	Industrial Instruments	56	52	20	47
16.	Scientific Instruments	~	2	13	4
17.	Mathematical Surveying & Drawing				
	Instruments			1	
18.	Fertilizers	1	_	1	1
19.	Chemical (Other than Fertilizers)	69	69	107	84
20.	Photographic Raw Film and paper	7	-	5	2
21.	Dyestuffs		1	1	
2 2 .	Drugs & Pharmaecuticals	8	5	10	13
23.	Textiles (including those dyes,				
	printed or otherwise processed)	5	10	13	6
24.	Paper & Pulp including paper				
	products	2	3	7	6
25.	Sugar		2	1	_
26.	Formentation Industries	3	1	6	6
27.	Food Processing Industries	4	5	8	16
28.	Vegetable Oil & Vanaspatı	<u> </u>		1	1
29.	Soap, Cosmetics & Toilet				
	preparations	2	2	2	_
30.	Rubber Goods	19	1	11	10
31.	Leather, Leather Goods & Packers	4	19	8	4
32.	Glue & Gelatine	<u> </u>	1	1	_
33.	Glass	13	9	8	8
34.	Ceramics	15	27	20	18
35.	Cement & Gypsum products	7	9	11	7
36.	Timber Products	-	—		1
37.	Defence Industries			_	—
38.	Cigarettes				_
	Consultancy	14	23	5	47
40.	Misc. Industries	35	74	186	94
	TOTAL :	7:2	1024	957	853