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Total of specified items of			
manufactured goods	2995.26	3533.66	+18.0
GRAND TOTAL (Incl. Oth	ner items) 6858.32	8146.17	+18.8

Note: (P) Commodity-wise figures are provisional and subject to revision. Source: D.G.C.I. & S., CALCUTTA.

## Proposal to Allocate Coal at Subsidised Rates in North Eastern Region

1641. SHRI N. TOMBI SINGH : Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to consider allocation of coal at subsidi<sup>s</sup> ed rates for the States and Union Territories in the North Eastern region where railways have not reached;

(b) whether there is already any proposal to meet the acute shortage of wood fuel in the said region by supplying alternative fuel like coal etc.; and

(c) if, not, whether Government propose to consider making one in the near future ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The requirement of coal of the North Eastern States will be met by Coal India Limited. However, transportation of coal will have to be done by road and proper distribution to the consumers will have to be arranged by the concerned State Governments.

## Export of Mica to Free Currency Zone (Western Countries)

1642. SHRI MANVENDRA SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state the total export of mica to the free currency zones (western countries) from India during the year 1984-85?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) Exports of processed mica which are canalised through Mica Trading Corporation of India Limited, to the General Currency Area, during 1984-85 are provisionally placed by the Corporation at 14405 metric tonnes valued at approximately Rs. 7.18 crores.

## Rise in Prices of Products of Public Sector Undertakings

1643. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the prices of public sector products/produces are continuously being raised to find additional resources and this is making the products unacceptable in world market as they cannot compete the similar products; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to issue suitable directions to public sector in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANAR DHANA POOJARY) (a) It is presumed<sup>\*</sup> that the Hon'ble Member is referring to the increases in the administered prices/ price increases requiring Government approval in respect of core sector industries