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mes to cover the vast majority of workers in unorganised and agricultural sectors on all India basis;

- (b) if so, whether any scheme under consideration of Government at present benefiting the vast workers or any proposal from International Labour Organisation and Social Security Organisation attending Seminar organised by International Social Security Association in New Delhi;
- what are its basic fea-(c) if so. tures; and
 - (d) if not the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND PAR-LIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. RAM KIRPAL SINHA); (a) The Government's attention has been drawn to the need for gradual extension of social security schemes to these categories of workers.

(b) to (d). The ILO National Seminar on Social Security and National Development held in New Delhi in September, 1977 had stressed inter-alia the need for providing social security protection to workers and their families in rural sector. The proceedings of the Seminar organised by the International Social Security Association in New Delhi recently are awaited. The Government are themselves anxious to see that the benefits of social security reach the workers in unorganised sector. However, no specific proposal has taken shape.

News-item captioned "Qutar lists 31 Indian Companies"

4459. SHRI YADVENDRA DUTT: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the "Times of India" dated the 25th November, 1978 stating that the Government of Qutar has blacklisted 31 Indian Companies for dealing with the Jewish State; and

(b) if so the names of the companies, the nature of business carried on by these companies and what steps the Government of India propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A list of 31 Indian companies which have been black-listed is placed on the Table of the House.

Most of these companies are manufacturers of chemicals, drugs & pharmaceuticals, insecticides & pesticides, dyes & dye intermediates. It is alleged by the Israeli Boycott Office in Qatar that these firms had imported chemicals and raw materials from Israel and used them in their manufactures for subsequent export to Arab countries.

The Government have already advised these Companies to give certain undertakings required by the Israeli Boycott Office in Qatar for removal of the boycott imposed against them.

LIST OF 31 BLACKLISTED INDIAN COMPANIES

- The Bangalore Pharmaceutical & Research Laboratory, Basavanagudi, Bangalore 560 004.
- Metro Golden Laboratories, Pimtimka Road, Bombay 8.
- The Chemo Pharma Laboratories Limited, C. S. 215 Sewri, Bombay 15.
- Kilipest Pvt. Limited, Industrial area, Goindpura, Bhopal, M.P.
- B. D. Khattan & Co., Subash Road Calcutta 700 001.
- Trinity Laboratories 6. (Ahmedabad) (Torrent Laboratories) 12. Matilal Park, Baliakaka 380 022-Gujarat.
- Texdyes Corp., 127, Mahatma Gandhi Road Bombay 400 023.
- Premier Dyes Corp., 1st St. Pokhran Road, Thana, Bombay.

9. Triumph Products, Triumph House, Near Patel Estate, Gestern Express Highway, Goregaon (East), Bombay 63.

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- Suren Chemicals, Amin Industrial Estate, Bombay 400 063.
- Alar Laboratories, Shri Kunji Navrangpura, Ahmedabad 9.
- 12. Cyano Pharma, 11, Rup Ram Nagar, Indore.
- 13. Associated Chemical Industries, Ahmedabad 380 002 (Gujarat).
- 14. Gupta Trading Co., 130, Apollo Street, Bombay 400 001.
- Biddle Sawyer Co. (India) Ltd.,
 Dalal Street, Bombay 400 001.
- Shree Ashok Thymol Factory,
 Shiv Vlas Palace 3, Indore
 (M.P.)
- Sharda Dyeing & Printing Works,
 P.D. Mello Road, Bombay 400 010.
- 18. Dileep Agarbatti Co., Dayanand Nagar, Bangalore 500 021.
- Raj Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd.,
 43. Princess Street, Bombay
 400 002.
- 20. Sigma Laboratories, 43. South Walala; Bombay 400 031.
- C.I. Laboratories, 24-B, Bantilal
 Shah Road, Calcutta 700 007.
- Western Chemical Industries, Purshottam Estate, Bahucharaji Road, Baroda 390 001.
- Grace Willpharma, Khedia Compound, Near Mission Hospital, Indore (M.P.).
- Cauvery Chemical Mfg. Co.,
 339, Samuel Street, Rawl Chambers; Bombay 3,
- Alma Laboratories, Fort House,
 Dr. Naoroji Road; Bombay 1.
- Beacon Pharmaceuticals. 135/36,
 Vasanji Road, Bombay 69.
- Mindia Chemicals Ltd., 11, Sport Road Ballard Estate, Bombay 400 038.
- Gwalior Lamps & Electronics
 Ltd.
- 29. Capital Lighting & Electronics Products Ltd.

- 30. Ajay Electrical_s Industries Ltd. —15/1 Asaf Ali Road, New Delhi 110 002
 - —Sylvania & Laxman.
- Krishi Rasayan, Ranital, Dist. Balasore (Orissa).

Steel Exported during 1976-77 and 1977-78

4460. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state the quantity of steel exported during 1976-77 and 1977-78?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA): The quantities of steel exported through SAIL, the canalising agency, during 1976-77 and 1977-78 are 14,09,252 tonnes and 11,00,811 tonnes respectively.

Development of Trade between India and Pakistan

4461. SHRI NARENDRA SINGH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a Consulate has been opened at Karachi for the development of trade between India and Pakistan;
- (b) the progress so far achieved in the matter:
- (c) whether the discussions with the Government of Pakistan in this regard were held recently; and
 - (d) outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU): (a) and (b). Government have taken steps to open a Consulate General at Karachi very shortly, which as part of its formal Consular functions, apart from facilitating travel will also endeavour to promote commercial, economic and cultural contacts.