

(b) the number of pending cases under the Summary-Assessment Scheme for more than two years and the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ZULFIQUARULLAH): (a) The total number of assesses coming under the Summary Assessment Scheme as on 31-3-1978 was 23,08,153

(b) Under the provisions of section 153(1) of the Income-tax Act, no order of assessment shall be made under section 143 or section 144 at any time after the expiry of—

(i) two years from the end of assessment year in which the income was first assessable . . . , or

(ii) one year from the date, of filing of return or a revised return under sub-section (4) or sub-section (5) of section 139, whichever is later.

Accordingly no assessments either under the Summary Assessment Scheme or otherwise would be pending for more than two years as at the close of any financial year. The only exception will be cases falling under item (ii) above for which the statutory time limit gets extended. No separate statistics are available for this category which will cover only a very few cases.

#### Suggestion from Hungarian Trade Delegation

6248. SHRI NATWARLAL PARMAR:

SHRI BEGUN SUMBROI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE, CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hungarian trade delegation had suggested that India and Hungary could cooperate to produce wood articles, leather goods and precious stones; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto and follow-up action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION (SHRI ARIF BAIG): (a) and (b). No Hungarian Trade Delegation visited India in recent past. However, in the Third Session of the Indo-Hungarian Joint Commission for Economic, Scientific and Technical Cooperation held in Budapest in May, 1978, it was, inter alia envisaged that the Hungarian side would give technical assistance and leather and shoe making machines for the production of various types of leather and finished leather items and in turn would take from India leather and finished leather goods on long-term basis. A long term arrangement has been worked out with Hungary for export of shoe uppers against import of leather machinery. A Hungarian delegation is expected to visit India shortly to follow up this and other allied matters.

#### Export of H.M.T. Machine Tools

6249. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE, CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the countries where India exported HMT machine-tools during last three years; and

(b) the details regarding the earning of foreign exchange year-wise during the last three years, country-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION (SHRI ARIF BAIG): (a) The countries to which HMT has exported machine tools during the last three years are as follows:—

Australia, Belgium, Bhutan, Denmark, East Germany, Ethiopia,