

The collection of the information called for will entail an enormous amount of labour and time which cannot be justified by the results obtained.

(c) and (d). Licences are largely issued to established shippers or importers because such dealers are established in the line and may be depended upon to handle business under competitive conditions; and maintain confidence in overseas markets

DHOTIES AND SAREES

148. **Pandit D. N. Tiwary:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of saris and dhoties (in pairs) by textile mills and hand-looms in 1951-52;

(b) the total production of other varieties of cloth by textile mills and hand-looms during the same period;

(c) the number of textile mills and hand-looms working in India in 1951-52;

(d) the total export and import of cloth in 1951-52; and

(e) the total consumption in the country in 1951-52?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) to (e). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 57]

MANUFACTURE OF TYPEWRITERS

149. **Shri M. L. Dwivedi:** (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether the U.S.A. firm established in India for undertaking manufacture work of typewriters in India has started work?

(b) If so, in what part of India are the headquarters of the firm situated?

(c) What are the terms and conditions under which the firm has agreed to commence work in India?

(d) Will the firm also undertake to manufacture typewriters of Rastrabasha script?

(e) Will the firm manufacture typewriters in other Indian languages and if so, which are they?

(f) What is the annual production target of the firm?

(g) How long will it take to reach full production capacity?

(h) What is the financial and other assistance, if any, which Government have agreed to give to the firm?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Calcutta.

(c) The firm came up with a request for approval of a scheme for manufacture of typewriters which the Government have given after careful examination. Their scheme envisages manufacture of 90 per cent. of a typewriter by 1956.

(d) and (e). Government have no information.

(f) 20,000 typewriters to be increased to 25,000, if necessary

(g) By 1956.

(h) Government have not agreed to give any financial assistance to the firm. They will, however, be given all reasonable facilities in the matter of transport, import of plant and machinery, raw materials etc. subject to the availability of foreign exchange.

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (STAFF)

150. **Shri A. N. Vidyalkar:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the respective numbers of Gazetted, non-gazetted, clerical and class IV staff in the Ministry of External Affairs as on—

(i) 15th August, 1947;

(ii) 31st March, 1950;

(iii) 31st March, 1951; and

(iv) 31st March, 1952; and

(b) whether any compensation had been paid to those who had been retrenched or compulsorily retired and if so, what?

The Prime Minister (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) The required information is given below:—

Date	Number of		
	Gazetted Officers	Non-Gazetted Officers	Class IV Staff
(i) 15th August, 1947	68	275	256
(ii) 31st March, 1950	103	560	301
(iii) 31st March, 1951	104	612	302
(iv) 31st March, 1952	110	607	302