

## TOBACCO PRODUCTS

**288. Shri Brohmo-Choudhury:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of cigarettes, cigars and tobacco imported into India from outside in 1953 and their total value;

(b) whether bidis are exported outside India; and

(c) if so, to which countries and the value of such exports?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):**

(a) A statement is attached. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 12.]

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) A statement is attached. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 12.]

## MATCH INDUSTRY

**289. Shri Barman:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of matches manufactured in India by A, B and C Class factories separately;

(b) the number of factories in 1950 and now;

(c) what, if any, is the policy of Government to help the smaller factories to cope with the competition from the bigger ones; and

(d) the cost of production of a 'gross' of matches in the different types of factories?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):**

(a) The total quantity of matches manufactured by A, B and C Class factories separately during 1953 in cases of 50 gross boxes of 60 sticks each was—

A Class	...	431,088
B Class	...	154,582
C Class	...	32,153.
(b)	1950	1953
A Class	8	8
B Class	106	82
C Class	88	57.

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(c) Smaller factories are already being given a rebate in excise duty to enable them to stand competition from the bigger units. Their main difficulty is, however, in regard to marketing of their products. The question of setting up a marketing organisation for hand-made matches is being looked into.

(d) Precise information is not available.

## PAPER (EXPORT)

**290. { Shri Muniswamy:  
Shri Sanganna:**

(a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the varieties of paper that are exported from India by free licensing system?

(b) What quantities in each variety are exported every year?

(c) What are the countries to which these are exported?

(d) What are the paper mills in India wherein these varieties are manufactured?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):**

(a) All varieties of paper are freely allowed for export up to 30th June, 1954.

(b) to (d). Two statements are attached. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 13.]

## INK FACTORIES

**291. Shri Venkataraman:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number and names of foreign companies who are manufacturing fountain pen ink in this country; and

(b) the proportion of foreign and Indian capital in each of the said companies?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):**

(a) and (b). It may be that companies whose capital has been subscribed wholly or to a major extent by