G.A.T.T.

**469.** Shri Tulsidas: Will the Minister of *i* mmerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the conclusions arrived at and recommendations made at the Ninth Session of the G.A.T.T.; and

(b) the decisions of Government in this respect?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) It is presumed that the hon. Member is referring to conclusions and recommendations arising from the review of the General Agreement. A copy of the Press Communique issued by the G.A.T.T. Secretariat, dated the 22nd March, 1955, is attached. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 19.]

(b) No decisions have been reached yet.

## SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES

**470.** Shrj Morarka: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to starred question No. 976 on the 9th December, 1954 and state:

(a) whether Government have since sanctioned any amount out of the funds allocated for small and village industries under the Five Year Plan, for providing loans for venture capital, as recommended by the International Planning Team; and

(b) if so, whether a definite allocation of these funds would be made to the state Finance Corporations for advancing ordinary loans to the small industry?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishmamachari): (a) Yes, Sir. The amounts sanctioned to the State Governments may be utilised for venture capital also.

(b) No definite allocations of these funds have been made to the State Finance Corporations. But the State Governments can, if they wish, disburse the loans sanctioned to them by 25 LSD the Centre through the State Finance Corporations.

## COAL

471. Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: Will the Minister of **Production** be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been recently any decrease in the consumption of metallurgical coal by the Railways; and

(b) if so, the quantity of decrease?

The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) and (b). The consumption in 1954 was about 50,000 tons less than in 1953.

UNITED NATIONS ORGANISATIONS

472. Chaudhri Muhammed Shaffee: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the financial contribution made by India to the United Nations Organisations so far;

(b) the aid received by India from the U.N. Agencies in terms of money; - and

(c) the strength of the U.N. Personnel and their nationalities who are working in India?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) A statement showing the financial contribution made by India so far to the United Nations Organization is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 20.]

(b) and (c). The information asked for by the hon. Member is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House when ready.

RESTRICTIONS ON EMBASSY STAFF AND VISITORS

## 473. { Chaudhri Muhammed Shaffee: Shri Ibrahim;

Will the **Prime Minister** be pleased to state:

(a) the nature and extent of restrictions now imposed by the Government