Dye-Stuffs

1033. { Shri Ram Krishan : Sardar Iqbal Singh : Sardar Akarpuri :

Will the Minister of Heavy Industries be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 930 on the 9th August, 1956 and state:

- (a) whether Government have received the report from M/S. A. C. N. A. (Mentacatini) Milan, Italy in regard to the productions of the intermediates for dye-stuffs; and
- (b) if so, the nature of the report received?

The Minister of Heavy Industries (Shri M. M. Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The report is in the nature of a preliminary study of the scope for an orderly development of the diverse types of intermediates required by the dyestuffs industry in India. It has outlined a list of intermediates which may be produced on a rational basis. But the experts have themselves stated that in practice other material factors and circumstances will need consideration.

The latest estimates of demand for dye-stuffs by 1960 are given in the statement which is laid on the Table of the House [See Appendix V, annexure No. 30]. Another statement gives a list of primary organic intermediates under consideration for manufacture in the central plant or plants. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 30].

Development of Industries

1034. Shri Ram Krishna: Will the Minister of Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of missions of foreign experts, which visited India during this year to make enquiry into the development of different industries;
- (b) the number of such missions which have submitted their reports; and
- (c) the nature of reports submitted by these missions separately ?

The Minister of Heavy Industries (Shri M. M. Shah): (a) to (c). a statement is placed on the Table of the House. (See Appendix V, annexure No. 31].

Tin

1035. Shri Ram Krishan: Will the Minister of Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

- (a) the total requirement of tin in India at present;
- (b) the quantity produced in the country; and
- (c) how much is imported from other countries and the value thereof?

The Minister of Heavy Industries (Shri M. M. Shah): (a) 4000 to 5000 tons per annum.

(b) Virgin tin is not produced in the country.

However, secondary tin is produced from tin plate serap and the production figures since 1953 are given below:

Year				Production	
					(tons)
1953		•			20.9
1954	•		•	•	36.9
1955	•		•	•	41.44
1956		•			26.5
(upto A	ugust))			_

(c) A statement showing imports of tin unwrought (blocks, ingots, bars and slabs) and Tin wrought during 1954-55 to 1956-57 is attached. [See Appendix V, annexure 32].

Development of Pondicherry

1036. Shri Ram Krishan: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the scheme for development of Pondicherry during Second Five Year Plan has been finalised; and
- (b) if so, will Government lay a copy of the scheme on the Table?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shri Anii K. Chanda): (a) and (b). The schemes for development of the State of Pondicherry during the Second Five Year Plan have been finalised and a detailed list of these schemes is placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. S-598/56].

Trade with China

1037. Shri Ram Krishan: Will the Miinister of Commerce and Consumer Industries be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any discussions on trade arrangements between India and China including Tibet, have taken place; and
 - (b) if so, at what stage they are ?