

are given below. Similar information for the year 1956 is not available:—

No. of Workers	Their Wage bill	Bonus paid.
	Rs.	Rs.
9708	93,72,965	4,91,633

NOTE:—This information is in respect of the former Part 'A' States and the three Part 'C' States of Delhi, Ajmer and Coorg. These figures are based on the returns under the Payment of Wages Act which applies to workers getting less than Rs. 200 per month.

#### Motor Vehicles

255. **Shri V. P. Nayar:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Motor Vehicles assembled or manufactured in India in the years 1953, 1954, 1955 and 1956;

(b) the prices of different makes of passenger cars and trucks;

(c) whether it is a fact that recently there was an upward revision of prices of Hindustan "Land Master"; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) A statement is placed on the Table of Lok Sabha which gives the required information *seriatim*. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 16]

Year	No. of vehicles
1953	13,928
1954	14,462
1955	23,084
1956	32,138

(b) the prices of the important makes are given in the annexure.

(c) Yes.

(d) Because the Hindustan Land-master car was being sold at a loss according to the report of the Tariff Commission. The revised price shown in the annexure was intended to make up the loss partially. Government have since agreed to a further increase in price to remove the loss totally, and this price is likely to come into effect shortly.

#### Workers in Motor Vehicles Industry

256. **Shri V. P. Nayar:** Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state the total wage bills and bonus paid to the workers by the motor vehicles industry in the years 1953, 1954, 1955 and 1956?

**The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali):** A statement giving the total annual wage bills and bonus paid to workers during the Calendar years 1953 to 1955 is given below. Similar information for the year 1956 is not available.

#### STATEMENT

Total Wages paid, by the Motor Vehicles Industry during 1953 to 1955.

Year	Manufacture of Motor Vehicles		Repair of Motor Vehicles	
	Total Wage Bills	Bonus	Total Wage Bills	Bonus
	Rs.		Rs.	
1953	6595271*	—	4,28,07,770	—
1954	7120794	483611	4,73,99,606	4,60,873
1955	4378196	61591	5,16,21,704	7,41,967

\*Separate figures of Bonus are not available but for 1954 and 1955 the figures for wage bills are exclusive of bonus.

NOTE:—These figures are in respect of the erstwhile Part A States and the three Part C States of Delhi, Ajmer and Coorg. The figures are based on the returns received from the State Governments under the Payment of Wages Act which applies to workers getting less than Rs. 800 per mensem.