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Machine Tools Mission

*651. Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a machine tools mission has gone to the United States to study the manufacture of machine tools factories there; and
- (b) if so, whether Government propose to send such mission in the near future?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir. A small team consisting of representatives of the machine tool industry had visited the USA, and other countries towards the end of 1956

(b) Does not arise.

Art Decoration of Government Buildings

*652. Shrimati Sucheta Kripalani: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state.

- (a) whether it is a fact that some years ago the Government of India had decided to allocate some money for art decoration for Government buildings to be constructed;
- (b) if so, which of such buildings have been decorated so far and the total amount spent for the purpose, and
- (c) whether Government have any schemes to associate artists with architects from the very beginning of a building-plan?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The decoration in the office building for the Comptroller and Auditor General is in hand on which expenditure incurred so far is Rs. 6.750/-.
- (c) Yes, Sir. A proposal to associate Artist(s) with the Architect incharge of the construction of a particular building is under consideration.

Broadcasting Station at Poons

*653. Shri Goray: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting bepleased to state whether Government propose to have a more powerful broadcasting Station in Poona?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Reskar): The power of the Transmitter at Poona has already been raised from 1 KW to 5 KW. There is no present proposal to raise it further but this question will be considered when more funds become available and any expansion of the plan for broadcasting takes place.

भटतन के व्यापारी

*६५४ श्री नांतिया वया वाशिष्य तया उद्योग मत्री यह बताने को कपा करेंग्र कि क्या यह मत्र है कि भारत के त्रो व्यापारी पाजिस्तान से पटमन खरीदने हैं उन का काफी रुपया पाकिस्तान स्टट वैक कम नजन इत्यादि क कारण दात्रा के लिय रोक लेता है, जबकि दूसर दशा के व्यापारियों की पूरा-पूरा भुगतान कर दिया जाता है ?

वारिष्ड्य नत्री (श्री कार्त्तगी) संस्थार को ऐसा कोई खबर नशा मिली है।

Rehabilitation Colonies of Delhi

- *655. Shri Brahm Prakash: Will the Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government appointed any Committee sometime back to assess the civic needs in respect of sewage, drainage, water, roads, lights etc, in the Rehabilitation Colonies and Shopping Centres in Delhi;
- (b) if so, the recommendations of this committee; and
- (c) the steps Government have taken to implement the recommenda-

The Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): (a) Yes.