(b) how many have applied for financial assistance during the year and the amount sanctioned to far?

12027

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) A statement showing the number and description of cottage industries which have so far been organised on co-operative basis in the various States and which are receiving financial assistance from the Khadi and Village Industries Commission is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 69].

(b) During the current year, 1957 co-operative societies have applied for financial assistance. Assistance amounting to Rs. 231,349 as grants and Rs. 1,41,750 as loans has so far been accorded to 46 societies.

Ambar Charkha Programme

1277. Shri Venkatasubbalah: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Ambar Charkha Parishramalayas and Vidyalayas that have been started in Andhra Pradesh during 1956-57; and
- (b) the quantity of yarn produced and the number of people working in these Parishramalayas?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) (i) Parishramalayas:

There are 29 Parishramalayas with 138 branches.

(ii) Vidyalayas:

For Karyakartas or instructors

3

For Carpenters 1

(b) (i) Yarn Produced:

35.000 lbs.

(ii) Spinners Parishramalayas:

1. Admitted 7,019 2. Trained 5,300

3. Under training 1,719

After completion of training the spinners work not in the Parishra-malayas but in their homes.

Tobacco Export

1278. Shri Narappa Reddy: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the quantity of tobacco exported from India Statewise during 1956-57 by individuals, the State Trading Corporation, and the Indian Leaf Tobacco Development Company?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): Available information in this regard is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 70].

Displaced Families at Duhalia Camp, Assam

1279. Shrimati Renu Chakravartty: Will the Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 750 displaced families residing in Duhalia Colony Block No. 1—5 Assam were promised 10 bighas of cultivable land in the plains:
- (b) how much land has been given to them;
- (c) whether any bonds for loans have been executed by them;
- (d) if so, how much of this loan has been paid; and
- (e) whether any demand for and enquiry in the affairs of this colony has been made?

The Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): (a) No.

- (b) 6 to 8 bighas per family. Efforts are however being made to increase the holding of each family to 10 bighas.
 - (c) Yes.
 - (d) Rs. 8,78,871.
 - (e) No.