

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) As statistics of import of tennis balls were not recorded separately till December, 1956, in the Import Trade Classification, import figures for the years in question are not available. Imports of tennis balls during January and February, 1957, were as under:

Quantity	Value
2724 dozen	Rs. 45,000/-

(b) No, Sir. The development of the Rubber Goods Industry has been left to the Private sector and an Indian firm, in collaboration with a British firm, has started trial production of Tennis Balls at Calcutta. This unit is likely to start regular production during the course of this year.

Crude Drugs

85. { Shri Easwara Iyer:
Shri V. P. Nayar:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the present position of the extraction of active principles from crude drugs in our country?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Morarji Desai): The following active principles are being extracted from crude drugs in the country:

	Capacity
1. Quinine and its salts.	18,000 lbs. per annum.
2. Morphine and Codeine	2,816 lbs. per annum.
3. Emetine Hydrochloride	415 lbs per annum
4. Ephedrine	3,900 lbs. per available
5. Reserpine.	12 Kg. per annum
6. Caffein.	Not available

In addition, a number of pharmaceutical Works in the country produce extracts and tinctures of vegetable drugs. The capacity for such products is estimated at over 2 million gallons

Slum Clearance

86. { Shri Ram Krishan:
Shri Warrlor:
Shri Morarka:
Shri Kodliyan:

Will the Minister of Works, Housing

and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of projects received from States under Slum Clearance Scheme so far, State-wise; and

(b) the total expenditure by way of subsidy and loan incurred so far, project-wise?

The Deputy Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Anil K. Chanda): (a) A statement is placed on the Table. [See Appendix I, annexure No 43].

(b) Out of twelve Slum Clearance Projects costing Rs. 39.94 lakhs sanctioned so far, a sum of Rs. 82,750/- has been disbursed as loan to the Government of Madras for their Namasi-vayapuram Slum Improvement Project.

Export of Iron Ore

87. Shri Ram Krishan: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the total quantity of iron ores in tons exported during 1957 so far (country-wise)?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Morarji Desai): A statement showing exports of iron ore during January 1957 to April 1957 is placed on the Table [See Appendix I, annexure No 44] Figures for subsequent months are not available

Cement

88. Shri Ram Krishan: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state

(a) the quantity of cement produced in the country during 1956-57 (factory-wise); and

(b) the quantity of cement imported country-wise during the same period?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) and (b). Two statements are placed on the Table [See Appendix I, annexure No. 45]