

Jute Mills

1644. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the total unused capacity in the Jute Mills at present?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): About 7,842 looms, with an approximate capacity of 12,000 tons of jute goods a month, representing 12½ per cent. of the looms in the jute mills, are at present unused.

Industrial Estates at Okhla (Delhi)

1645. { Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Naval Prabhakar:
Shri Heda:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in the Industrial Estate at Okhla in Delhi;

(a) whether any expansion programme is envisaged in the Estate; and

(c) if so, the new industries proposed to be accommodated there?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Thirty-five factories have been completed. The work of construction of the Administrative Block is progressing and is scheduled to be completed by the middle of January, 1958. All the 35 factories have been allotted and 21 factories have already been occupied. The remaining 14 are expected to be occupied shortly. Of the 21 factories occupied, 12 have already gone into production.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Applications from 140 parties covering 73 industries have been received, a list of which is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 30]. They will be considered when the new factories are constructed.

Manufacture of Quinine

1646. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the quantity of Quinine produced during 1957 (upto the 30th November, 1957)?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): The quantity of quinine manufactured from January to September, 1957 was 51,826.62 lbs. The production figures for the months of October and November, 1957 are not yet available.

Mulberry Growers of Punjab

1647. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allotted by the Central Silk Board for the issue of loans and grants to the mulberry growers of the Punjab State during the year 1957 so far; and

(b) the conditions governing such loans?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) None of the schemes of the Government of Punjab relating to sericulture approved in 1957 involves the issue of loan though the grant-in-aid sanctioned for 3 schemes totals Rs. 47,115. Generally direct assistance is not given to mulberry growers but facilities are provided through the State Governments for supply of improved types of saplings, seeds, etc.

(b) Does not arise.

Handloom Industry in Punjab

1648. { Shri D. C. Sharma:
Sardar Iqbal Singh:
Shri Daljit Singh:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether any amount has been allotted as loans and grants to the Punjab State for the development of Handloom Industry during the Second Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, to what extent?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 40-44 lakhs.

कुटीर दियासलाई उद्योग

१६४६. श्री भक्त बर्तन : क्या कार्लिण्य तथा उद्योग मंत्री १० सितम्बर १९५७ के तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या १६२४ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) दियासलाई तैयार करने के एक सौ नये कुटीर उद्योग केन्द्र स्थापित करने का किन-किन स्थानों पर निश्चय किया गया है ;

(ख) इन केन्द्रों को चालू करने की दिशा में क्या प्रगति हुई है ; और

(ग) शेष सौ केन्द्रों के लिये स्थान चुनने की दिशा में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

उद्योग मंत्री (श्री मनुभाई शाह) :

(क) और (ख) नये सौ केन्द्र निम्न राज्यों में खोले जायेंगे :—

राज्य का नाम	केन्द्रों की संख्या
मिडघ	१०
आसाम	५
बिहार	१५
केरल	५
मद्रास	३०
मैसूर	१५
उत्तर प्रदेश	२०

हाल ही में इनके लिये वित्तीय बंटन भी कर दिया गया है। इनके लिये सब से पहले प्रारम्भिक काम जैसे स्थान का चुनाव करना, उपयुक्त इमारतें बनाना, कारखाने चलाने के लिये लाइसेंस हासिल करना और रासायनिक पदार्थ तथा कच्चे मालों की खरीद करना,

पूरे करने होंगे। इसलिये कारखानों में उत्पादन शुरू होने में कुछ समय लगेगा।

(ग) चालू साल का कार्यक्रम दियासलाई के बनाने के 'ब' श्रेणी के इन सौ नये कारखानों तक ही सीमित रखने का प्रस्ताव है जिसका उल्लेख (क) भाग में किया गया है।

Cashewnuts

1650. Shri V. P. Nayar: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during 1956-57 the export of cashewnuts has yielded more foreign exchange to India than in the preceding year; and

(b) if so, to what extent?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Kanungo): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 31].

Land Purchase Loan

1651. Shrimati Renu Chakravartty: Will the Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned the land purchase loan of 59 agriculturist families of Nafarganj Debnagar Colony P.S. Canning 24 Parganas against executed "baynanamas";

(b) if not, when the loan can be expected to be sanctioned;

(c) how many months have elapsed since their "baynanamas" were submitted to Government; and

(d) the reason for the delay?

The Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): (a) Loans to 47 families out of 59 who had applied have been sanctioned. Loans could not be given to 12 families as their title to the lands was found to be defective.

(b) Does not arise.