

Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Candidates

2195. **Shri Kumbhar:** Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1541 on the 21st March, 1958 and state the number of graduates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes separately who were on the Live Register at the end of 31st December, 1957 and who have since been employed in Central and State Governments' Departments, State-wise so far?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abld All): The information is not available.

Export of Silk Goods

2196. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1245 on the 13th March, 1958 and state the types of the Indian silk goods which were consumed most in foreign countries during 1957-58?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): During the period under reference i.e., April-September, 1957 the types of Indian Silk goods consumed most in foreign countries were:—

1. Silk Fabrics containing over 90 per cent silk.
2. Silk Sarees.
3. Fabrics containing less than 50 per cent. silk.
4. Other silk fabrics.

Shoe-making Industry

2197. { **Shri Daljit Singh:**
Shri Sadhu Ram:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the amount of assistance given by the

Central Government for the shoe-making industry in the Punjab State during 1956-57?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): No financial assistance was given by the Central Government for Shoe-making Industry in the Punjab State during 1956-57. However, a loan of Rs. 2,32,800 was sanctioned to the Punjab Government in 1956-57 for their scheme for the development of fancy leather industry.

Trade with Poland

2198. **Shri Daljit Singh:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether there has been any increase or decrease in the volume of India's trade with Poland during 1957-58?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): The trade between India and Poland during 1957-58 is on the increase. India's trade with Poland during April-September, 1957 amounted to Rs. 2,72 lakhs as compared to Rs. 157 lakhs during the corresponding period of 1956.

Wholesale Depots for Small Scale Industries Products

2199. **Shri Sadhu Ram:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number of wholesale depots opened in the year 1957-58 for the sale of goods produced by the Small Scale Industries in Punjab;

(b) the number of depots proposed to be opened in Punjab during 1958-59;

(c) their location;

(d) the recurring and non-recurring expenditure incurred on the depots during the last six months; and

(e) the income that accrued from them?