## 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 Ali): 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 toreign 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 shoemaking industry in the Punjab State during 1956-57?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lai Bahadur Shastri): No financial assistance was given by the Central Government for Shoemaking 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 tancy leather industry.

## Trade with Poland

2198. Shri Daljit Singh: Will Minister of Commerce the 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 Lai 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?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bakadur Shastri): (a) One Woollen Hosiery-cum-Raw material Depot has been set up during 1957-58 at Ludhiana.

(b) Nil.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e). The administration of Wholesale Depots has been decentralised and has been entrusted to the Subsidiary Corporations. Figures regarding the expenditure incurred on the Depots and income accrued from them will be furnished as soon as the accounts for 1957-58 are finalised.

#### Village Housing Projects

**2200.** Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the village housing projects allotted to the different States, State-wise for 1957-58; and

(b) the manner for their selection?

The Deputy Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Anil K. Chanda): (a) A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix VII, annexure No. 14.]

(b) The selection of villages will be done by the State Governments in accordance with the criteria laid down in para. 6 of the Village Housing Projects Scheme, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

# PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

AMENDMENTS TO COFFEE RULES

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Examps): I beg to lay on the Table under sub-section (3) of Section 48 of the Coffee Act, 1942, a copy of Notification No. G.S.R. 184, dated the 29th March, 1958, making certain amendments to the Coffee Rules. 1955. [Placed in the Library. Sec. No. T.649/58]

#### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

SIXTH AND SEVENTH REPORTS

Shri B. G. Mehta (Gohilwad): I beg to present the Sixth and Seventh Reports of the Estimates Committee regarding action taken by Government on the recommendations of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Reports (First Lok Sabha) on 'Operation on Indian Railways' and 'Railways Second Five Year Plan' respectively.

# STATEMENT RE: ANNUAL RE-PORTS OF EMPLOYEES' STATE IN-SURANCE CORPORATION

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): Sir, on the 26th March, 1958, when the audited accounts for 1955-56 and the annual report for 1956-57 of the Employees' State Insurance Corporation were placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha, my hon, friend Shri Morarka stated that although under section 36 of the Employees' State Insurance Act it was necessary to place also the budget prepared by the Corporation on the Table of the Sabha, it was never being done. Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman also raised some objections in this connection. The correct position is as follows: ----

As required under Section 36 of the Employees' State Insurance Act read with Rule 31(7) of the Employees' State Insurance (Central) Rules 1950, the budget estimates of the Corporation are placed before the Parliament every year and published in the Official Gazette after the Central Government budgets have been approved by the Parliament. The budget estimates for 1956-57 were placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha on the 10th May, 1956 and published in the Official Gazette on the 9th June. The budget estimates for 1957-58 were placed on the Table of the Sabha on the 12th September, 1957 and published in the Official Gazette on the 19th October. Similarly, the budget estimates for