

of new talents discovered by the A.I.R. Jullunder during 1957-58 and 1958-59 so far?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): 1957-58—212.

1958-59..... 70.

(During the first three months)

Import of Automobiles

65. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of automobiles imported into India during 1958 so far (i) on Government Account and (ii) on Private Account;

(b) the total value of these imports under each head; and

(c) the names of the foreign countries from which they have been imported and the extent of import from each?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): (a) to (c). Separate statistics of imports on Government account and Private account are not maintained. However, a statement showing country-wise imports of different kinds of automobiles during 1958 (January-April) is attached. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 36.] Import figures for the subsequent period are not yet available.

Diplomatic Relations

66. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state the number of countries with whom India has established diplomatic relations during 1958 so far?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): One country, Tunisia.

Export of Engineering Goods

67. Shri Jagannatha Rao: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the value of engineering goods exported during the year 1957 and in the first half of 1958; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to boost up exports of the engineering goods?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri):

(a) The exports of engineering goods during the year 1957 and in the first half of 1958 have been of the value of Rupees 434 crores and 1.93 crores, respectively.

(b) A statement showing the steps taken by Government to promote the exports of engineering goods is attached [See Appendix I, annexure No 37.]

Export of Lac Goods

68. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of lac goods exported during 1957-58 and 1958-59 so far; and

(b) the names of the countries to which these were exported?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri):

(a) The exports of all kinds of lac during 1957-58 and in April, 1958 amounted to 5.43 lakh cwts. and 40,000 cwts., respectively. The figures in respect of the further months of 1958-59 are not yet available.

(b) The countries to which the exports were made are the United States of America, the United Kingdom, West Germany, Japan, U.S.S.R., the People's Republic of China, Italy, Sweden, Netherlands, Belgium, France, Spain, Rumania, Greece, Ceylon, Singapore, Hongkong, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Afghanistan, Burma, Indonesia, Thailand, South Vietnam, Philippines,

Sudan, Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Australia and New Zealand. A few countries the exports to which were negligible have been left out.

Films on Industrial Projects

69. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to produce films on industrial projects which are under progress in India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keekar): (a) and (b). The Films Division has been producing from the beginning films on important economic and industrial projects in the country. There is no new proposal necessary for that purpose.

At present three films have been taken for production:—

- (i) Bhilai-Rourkela steel plants.
- (ii) Neyveli Lignite project; and
- (iii) Atomic energy.

Of these, the film on Bhilai-Rourkela has been released in June. The other two are under preparation.

Later it is proposed to produce films for the Bhilai, Rourkela and Neyveli projects when they are completed and one of the Durgapur steel plant also.

Employees of Indian High Commission in London

70. **Shri Parulekar:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indians employed as temporary clerks in the office of the Indian High Commissioner in London;

(b) how many of them have served for more than two years, four years and eight years;

(c) whether these employees have submitted a memorandum to the High Commissioner regarding their conditions of employment;

(d) if so, the nature of their demands; and

(e) the action taken thereon?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) As on 31st June, 1958, there were 258 local temporary Indian Clerks in the High Commission of India, London.

(b) Number of clerks who have served:

- (i) more than 2 years—55.
- (ii) more than 4 years—70.
- (iii) more than 8 years—29.

(c) Representations have been submitted by the local employees, which term includes both Indians and non-Indians.

(d) The representationists have asked for the grant to them of certain supplements to pay sanctioned by the U.K. Government for their own employees of similar grades.

(e) The supplements sanctioned for the U.K. Civil Service in 1955 have already been granted to the local employees of the High Commission, subject to certain adjustments for those who are exempt from U.K. Income tax. Proposals have recently been received to extend to them certain pay supplements sanctioned by the U.K. Government during 1956 and 1957 and are under examination. This question is linked with that of re-organisation of the Office of the Indian High Commissioner, London, which at present is engaging the attention of the Government.

Nangal Fertilisers and Chemicals (Private) Limited

71. **Shri Hem Raj:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether a final decision has since been taken regarding the extent of land to be acquired for the requirements of the Nangal Fertilisers and Chemicals (Private) Limited?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): Yes; in addition to 3657.87 acres of