

### Output of Steel

203. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) the total output of steel during 1957-58, State-wise; and

(b) the total quantity of steel exported to foreign countries, country-wise during the same period?

**The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh):** (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I, Annexure No. 86.]

### Limestone

204. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) the total output of limestone during 1957-58 State-wise; and

(b) the amount of limestone exported to foreign countries, country-wise during the same period?

**The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya):** (a) Returns for limestone are received calendar year-wise. Figures of State-wise production of limestone for the calendar year 1957 are as follows:—

States	Quantity (Tons)
Andhra Pradesh	483,462
Assam	74,802
Bengal	26,164
Bihar	1,498,653
Bombay	617,480
Madhya Pradesh	1,050,896
Madras	1,116,661
Mysore	913,138
Orissa	1,363,020
Punjab	518,809
Rajasthan	1,274,109
Uttar Pradesh	482,675

(b) The exports of limestone excluding building limestones to different countries during 1957-58 were as follows:—

Countries	Quantity (tons)
Pakistan East	92,730
Ceylon	188

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### Strength of Government Servants of different pay grades

205. **Shri S. M. Banerjee:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state the total number of Central Government Employees (excluding service personnel) drawing on the 1st June, 1958:

(i) more than Rs. 250/- p.m. and above;

(ii) more than Rs. 100/- p.m. but less than 250/- p.m.; and

(iii) less than Rs. 100/- p.m.?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):** The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House when received

### Small Savings in Rajasthan

206. **Shri Karni Singhji:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state the amount collected under the Small Savings Scheme, division-wise in Rajasthan during 1956 and 1957?

**The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai):** The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

### Excise Duty on Cigars

207. **Shri Abdul Salam:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the total revenue realised from excise duty on cigars in 1956-57 and 1957-58;

(b) the amount collected in Madras State; and

(c) whether it is a fact that cigar production has fallen in the last one year as a consequence of this duty?

**The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai):** (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha [See Appendix I, Annexure No. 87.]

(c) Production of taxable cigars has slightly declined in the State of Madras but increased in the State of Andhra Pradesh during 1957-58. The

decline in Madras is not necessarily attributable to the operation of Central Excise duty.

#### Post-Basic Institutions

**208. Shri Subodh Hansda:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals received since 1st January, 1957 from the various State Governments for establishing Post Basic Institutions in their States;

(b) whether all these proposals have been accepted by Government; and

(c) the steps taken to speed up the establishment of these Institutions?

**The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall):** (a) Nine.

(b) All proposals, except one which does not fit in with the scheme of Post-Basic education, are under consideration.

(c) The establishment of post-Basic institutions is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. The Union Ministry of Education has, however, drawn up a scheme for financial assistance to the State Governments and Voluntary Organisations for this purpose.

#### Central Scheme for Expansion of Girls' Education and Training of Women Teachers

**209 Shri Subodh Hansda:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals received from the various State Governments for the Central Scheme for Expansion of Girls' Education and the Training of Women Teachers up to-date since the inception of the Scheme; and

(b) whether these proposals have been finally considered and given effect to?

**The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall):** (a)

Year	No. of proposals received.
1957-58	4
1958-59	8

(b) (i) The four proposals received during 1957-58 were duly sanctioned.

(ii) The financial allocations made in favour of the States for the year 1958-59 have been communicated to the State Governments and they have been asked to go ahead with the implementation of the scheme. Proposals so far received are under consideration and formal administrative approvals will be issued in due course.

#### Humid Tropics Research Stations

**210. Shri Subodh Hansda:** Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Humid Tropics Research stations functioning in India at present and the places where they are functioning;

(b) the various aspects of research on Humid Tropics carried on at these stations; and

(c) whether any foreign assistance is asked for to carry on the research works?

**The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir):** (a) The following 14 stations:—

- 1 Calcutta.
- 2 Madras.
- 3 Poona.
- 4 Bellary.
- 5 New Delhi.
6. Tockli (Assam).
7. Cuttack.
8. Patna.
9. Mysore.
10. Hazari Bagh
11. Ootacamund.
12. Cochin.
13. Dehra Dun.
14. Kanpur.