

Export of Oil Seeds

3544. Shri Sarju Pandey: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the quantity and value of all kinds of oil seeds exported during 1958-59, country-wise?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VII annexure No. 52].

Appointment of Auctioneers for Government-built Evacuee Properties

3545. { Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri S. A. Mehdi:

Will the Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs be pleased to state the number of auctioneers appointed till March, 1959 in respect of Government-built evacuee and rural properties in Punjab, U.P., Delhi, Rajasthan and Bihar?

The Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): The number of auctioneers for Government built and evacuee properties is as under:—

Punjab	45
U.P.	13
Delhi	25
Rajasthan	2
Bihar	2

Retrenchment of Stevedore Labour

3546. { Shri Anthony Pillai:
Shri L. Achaw Singh:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assurances were given at the tripartite conference of Port and Dock interests held in November, 1956, regarding retrenchment of Stevedore labour, and

(b) if so, whether any violations of the assurances have been reported to the Government?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) In the conference, a question was raised as to the attitude of Government towards possible retrenchment consequent on the introduction of Piece-Rate Schemes. Government stated that they would view with disfavour any such move

(b) Complaints of alleged violations have been received from Madras which are being looked into

Cottage and Small-Scale Industries

3547. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state

(a) the total amount spent to encourage cottage and small-scale industries in the country during the year 1958; and

(b) how far the targets have been achieved?

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

(a) Information about amounts spent during 1958-59 has not been received from the State Governments. The figures given below, which are provisional, represent central expenditure against each group of industries except in the case of Coir and Small Scale Industries where the amount indicated includes expenditure by the States also.

Rs
in lakhs

(a) Khadi and Village industries (from 1-4-58 to 31-12-58)	980.5
(b) Handicrafts	
(i) Centrally aided State Schemes (from 1-4-58 to 31-12-58)	46.24
(ii) Central Schemes implemented directly by the All India Handicrafts Board (from 1-4-58 to 15-3-59)	31.04
(c) Sericulture	
(i) Centrally aided State Schemes (from 1-4-58 to 31-12-58)	