

**Trade Balance with Pakistan**

3738. { Shri D. C. Sharma:  
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shri Pangarkar:  
Shri Daljit Singh:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) what was the balance of our trade with Pakistan during the period 1st April, 1958 to the 31st March 1959, separately; and

(b) what steps have been taken to improve the balance of our trade with Pakistan?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): (a) For the period 1st April, 1958 to 31st January 1959, our exports to Pakistan totalled Rs. 564 lakhs against imports valued at Rs. 502 lakhs, leaving a favourable balance of Rs. 62 lakhs. Statistics beyond January 1959 are not yet available.

(b) The main steps taken by us to improve our balance of trade with Pakistan are increased cultivation of raw jute in India and progressive restrictions on imports including removal of some items from O.G.L. for Pakistan

**International Commission for Supervision and Control in Vietnam**

3739. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state the total expenditure incurred by India upto the 31st March, 1959 on the International Commission for Supervision and Control in Vietnam?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): Figures of expenditure upto 31st March, 1959 are not yet available. The corresponding figures upto 31st January, 1959 were Rs. 67,74,256-74 of which Rs. 44,33,671-53 were recoverable from the common pool fund provided by the Geneva Powers.

2 The above figures are subject to further modification on receipt of

debits relating to book adjustments likely to be communicated by the Defence Accounts authorities. The figures of expenditure incurred during February and March, 1959 would be available in August, 1959

**Electric Fans**

3740. { Shri Pangarkar:  
Shri Daljit Singh:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number of electric fans manufactured in India during 1st October, 1958 to 31st March, 1959;

(b) the value of electric fans exported during the same period; and

(c) the names of the countries to which these have been exported?

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

(a) The total number of electric fans produced by the firms borne on the list of the Development Wing during the period from 1st October, 1958 to 31st March, 1959 is approximately 3,32,200

(b) The value of electric fans exported during October, 1958 to February, 1959 is Rs. 10,89,098. The figure of export for March, 1959 is not yet available

(c) Exports were made principally to Aden, Ceylon, Burma, Kuwait, Malaya, Singapore, Thailand, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Mauritius, Seira Leone and Ghana.

**Manufacture of Radio Sets**

3741. { Shri Pangarkar:  
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shri Daljit Singh:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number of radio sets produced in India from 1st October, 1958 to 31st March, 1959; and

(b) whether any of these have been exported to foreign countries?

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

(a) The total number of radio sets produced by the firms borne on the Development Wing's list during the period 1st October, 1958 to 31st March, 1959 is approximately 98,900 Nos.

(b) Ten complete radio sets worth Rs. 2,148 were exported to Nepal during October to November, 1958 but information regarding the export of sets manufactured in India is not separately available. No exports were made to other countries. Data about exports after November, 1958 are not available.

#### Unemployed Graduates

3742. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Labour and Employment and Planning be pleased to state the number of un-employed Graduates remaining on the Live Registers of various Employment Exchanges in India as on the 1st April, 1959?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): 33,769.

#### Government of India Printing Presses

3743. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of additional accommodation provided for the various presses under the expansion programme of existing presses of the Government of India during 1958-59, and

(b) the expenditure incurred on this programme of expansion during the same period?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

#### Can Sealing Composition

3744. Shri Braj Raj Singh: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether Can Sealing Composition (Rubber Lining Compound used for canning industry) is being indigenously produced in India;

(b) what quantity was imported of this compound during the years 1954-55, 1955-56, 1956-57 and 1957-58;

(c) how much foreign exchange was spent during the above years;

(d) whether it is the policy of Government encourage manufacture of the said compound in the country;

(e) whether any Indian firm has applied for granting protection to their compound;

(f) whether their compound has been tested by Government and if so; what are the results; and

(g) whether it is a fact that the compound made by an Indian firm compares favourably with the foreign commodities?

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

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Precise information is not available as the item has not been specifically shown in the import trade classification of the country.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) A firm in Calcutta had represented that the import of Can Sealing Composition (Rubber Lining Compound used for Canning industry) should be banned. It was found however on enquiry that even if this firm worked to their full capacity, they would only be meeting a quarter of the country's demand.

(f) and (g). The firm produced a certificate from College of Engineering, Jadavpur, Calcutta, but they have been asked to have their product