

Reserve Bank of India. A summary of these guidelines is given in the statement II laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-4503/82].

### Import of polyester staple fibre

5436. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of cotton exported in 1981-82;

(b) the total quantity of polyester staple fibre required in the country and that imported from abroad during 1981-82;

(b) the impediments, if any, in the way of producing in the country the total requisite polyester staple fibre;

(d) the names of the countries from which polyester staple fibre was imported; and

(e) whether Government propose to restrict the import of polyester staple fibre to encourage the cotton goods consumption and more production of polyester staple fibre in the country?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) 2 lakh bales of cotton were exported during 1981-82.

(b) The demand for Polyester Staple Fibre as estimated at the end of the Sixth Plan is 110 thousand tonnes. During 1981-82 the domestic production was about 30,000 tonnes and 1770 tonnes (Provisional figures) were imported.

(c) The industry is capital and technology intensive, otherwise there appear to be no basic impediments of a long term nature.

(d) Important sources include USA, Japan, U. K., West Germany and Taiwan etc.

(e) Presently there is no proposal under consideration of Govt. to change the existing Import Policy on P. S. F.

### Insurance Policies Sold by L. I. C.

5437. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of insurance policies sold by the LIC so far during the last twenty-five years which remained alive till maturity;

(b) what is the total number of insurance agents of the LIC who belong to multi-millionaire houses; and

(c) what are the names of the houses to which these insurance agents belong ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) The LIC maintains statistics of maturity claims paid every year, without reference to the year of issue of the policy. Separate statistics of maturity claims pertaining to policies issued during the last 25 years are not available.

(b) and (c). The LIC maintains classification of agents only according to whether they are operating in rural/urban areas. The desired information is, therefore, not available.

आर० बी० एच० एम० जूट मिल्स  
कटिहार के मजदूरों द्वारा आन्दोलन

5438. श्री रामावतार शास्त्री :  
क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा  
करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि आ० बी०  
एच० एम० जूट मिल्स कटिहार के मजदूर  
अपनी मांगों को लेकर 25 जून, 1982 से  
आन्दोलन कर रहे हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उनकी मांगों का  
ब्योरा क्या है ; और

(ग) सरकार की उन पर क्या प्रतिक्रिया  
है ?