

(c) the causes of the shortfall, if any, in expenditure?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra): (a) Against the five-year outlay of Rs. 14.73 crores, Rs. 7.60 crores were spent in the first three years of the Plan.

(b) Taking into account the anticipated actual expenditure in 1959-60 and approved outlay for 1960-61, this comes to Rs. 7.8 crores.

(c) Does not arise.

Small Scale Industries

809. { Shri M. B. Thakore:
Shri Oza:
Shri K. U. Parmar:

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

(a) whether there is any policy of the Government for allocating raw materials to Small Industries which are newly started; and

(b) if so, what is it?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The policy is that on the basis of recommendation of the Director of Industries, small-scale industries whether carrying on their existing industry or newly started industry, will be given the facility of importing raw material to reasonable extent as per the Essentiality Certificates issued by the State Directors of Industries.

Export Earnings of Mica

610. Shri N. R. Muniswamy: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) what are the export earnings of mica in the first half of 1959 as compared to the corresponding period of the last year;

(b) whether export of mica has shown improvements this year; and

(c) if so, by how much as compared to previous year?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) the export earnings of mica in the first half of 1958 and of 1959 were as follows:

	January- June 1958	January- June 1959
	Rs.	Rs.
Unmanufactured Mica	4,29,41,979	5,01,74,338
Mica manufactures	42,70,197	39,17,034
TOTAL	4,72,12,176	5,40,91,372

(b) and (c). The quantity and value of exports of mica during the first eight months (January to August) of 1959, compared to the exports during the corresponding period in 1958, improved by 12,866 Cwts. and Rs. 66,45,690, respectively.

Iron Ore

611. Shri N. R. Muniswamy: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the countries which imported iron ore from India in 1958 and 1959;

(b) the value of iron ore exported during the above period (country-wise); and

(c) whether any country has reduced its import from India this year and if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Satish Chandra):

(a) and (b). A statement showing countrywise exports of iron ore together with values thereof during 1958 and 1959 (January—July) is laid on the Table. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 11]. Export statistics for the subsequent months of 1959 are not yet available.

(c) There has been no decline in exports to our principal markets.