India with news material and photographs concerning the activities of the Government of India, arranges Press Conferences and maintains Press Cutting and Press Analysis services for official use. The administrative work and the expenditure connected there with are a part and parcel of the Press services. It is not, therefore, practical le to show separately the expenditure incurred on administration alone. The total expenditure has, however, been given below which does not show that there has been an increase.

	(Rs. in Lakhs)
1958-59	36.96
1959-60	
1 960-61	7:14
(April—June	1960)

*Figures have yet to be finalised by audit.

Export of Menkeys

292. Shri Subiman Ghose: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether monkeys have been sent to San Francisco from Calcutta by Pan American World Airways for research or experiment purpose on the 6th June, 1960 or nearabout that date;

(b) if so, the number of monkeys exported and the age of those creatures; and

(c) what is the foreign exchange earned by exporting monkeys to foreign countries in 1959 and 1960?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 160 monkeys. Information in regard to the age of the monkeys is not available.

(c) Rs. 89 lakhs and Rs. 36 lakhs during 1959 and 1960 (Jan—May), respectively.

(Export statistics beyond May, 1960 are not yet available).

Ambar Charkha Scheme in Punjab

293. Shri Daljit Singh: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the amount placed at the disposal of the Government of Punjab for the development of Ambar Charkha, by the Central Government during 1958-59 and 1959-60?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): No amounts were placed at the disposal of the Government of Punjab during these two However, Rs. 54.88 lakhs and years. Rs. 20.37 lakhs respectively were disbursed during 1958-59 and 1959-60 to the State Board and various institutions for the development of the Ambar Charkha programme in Punjab.

Aluminium Plant in Mysore State

294. { Shri Agadi: { Shri Sugandhi:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that a plan has been submitted for setting up an aluminium plant in Mysore State with foreign collaboration; and

(b) if so, the location, capital investment and capacity of the Plant?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). The Government of India have received a preliminary proposal for the setting up of an aluminium smelter. The actual location and the state are not finally indicated. Full details regarding foreign collaboration, exact location, power supply etc. have not been received. The authorised and issued/ paid up capital of the proposed undertaking would be known after the proposal is finalised.

Manufacture of Newsprint

∫ Shri Agadi:

Shri Sugandhi:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri R. C. Majhi:
Shri Nek Ram Negi:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question Nos. 1786 and 1808 on the 28th April, 1960 and state:

(a) whether Government has since finally examined the economic aspect of manufacturing Newsprint from sugarcane bagasse;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of factories and in which States such factories are allowed to start; and

(d) the total capital investment of such factories?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (d). After final examination of the economic and technological aspects of the project, Government have finally decided not to go ahead with the project.