

(iii) The Council sends out Trade Delegations to make on the spot surveys of the foreign markets. So far, the Council has sent out three such delegations to the West Asian countries, African countries and South East Asian countries. Provision has also been made in Programme of the Council for the year 1960-61 for sending out trade delegations to the prospective markets abroad.

(iv) The Council is participating and propose, as in the past, to participate in the Trade Fairs/Exhibitions held in the prospective markets abroad.

(v) The information on marketing conditions obtaining in the foreign countries as well as the trade enquiries received from the foreign countries, through the Government of India Commercial Representatives, are being promptly passed on to the Indian exporters.

(vi) The Council is working out proposals for initiating some measure of quality control on plastic goods exported from the country.

Dyeing of Textile Fabrics

1236. Shri Raghunath Singh: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether a new process for Dyeing Textile Fabrics has been evolved by Dr. U. B. Chipalkati of Sri Ram Industrial Research Institute?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Kanungo): Yes, Sir. A new process for Dyeing Textile Fabrics has been evolved by Dr. U.B. Chipalkati of Sri Ram Industrial Research Institute. The process is similar to the Molten Metal Process for continuous dyeing of Stand fact Dyers and Printers Ltd., U.K. particularly in the principle of fixation of dyestuffs. In this process a fluidized bed of sand instead of Molten Metal is employed to get the necessary temperature and pressure required for fixation and penetration of dye. A further advantage is claimed that any temperature can be attained by the external heating of the

sand particles by which the process can be employed in other operations such as drying, resin curing, etc.

Japanese Technicians for Small Scale Industries

1237. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number of technicians which Japan has agreed to send to India under the Indo-Japanese Agreement for the development of Small Scale Industries; and

(b) the institutes where they will be put?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a). Under the agreement concerning the establishment of Indo-Japanese Prototype Production and Training Centre for Small Scale Industries at Howrah, West Bengal, the Government of Japan have agreed to send to India, 20 Japanese experts to help in setting up the Centre.

(b) All the 20 Japanese experts will work at the Centre at Howrah.

Training in Small Scale Industries

1238. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trainees which Government propose to send to Japan under the Indo-Japanese Agreement regarding the development of Small Scale Industries for getting training in small scale industries during 1960;

(b) how will their expenses be borne, whether by the Centre or by the States; and

(c) what will be their period of training?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (c). There is no proposal to send trainees to Japan for getting training in small scale industries under the Indo-Japanese