

(c) The main function of Extension Centre, Coimbatore, is to advise small scale industrialists. It is not possible to assess the impact of the advice on employment opportunities.

(c) Yes, Sir, in June, 1960.

(d) A note giving the details is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

A total quantity of 100 metric tons of camphor was imported from Russia in 1960, of which 60 metric tons was received in April, 1960 and 40 metric tons comprising 406 cases was received in June last. This latter quantity of 40 metric tons includes 25 metric tons proposed to be distributed through co-operative Societies, the balance of 15 tons together with 10 tons from the earlier lot being utilised for issues to the manufacturers of medicaments, paints, plastics and other industrial products throughout the country in accordance with the recommendations of the concerned directors of industries in the States.

Sewing Machines

1542. { Shrimati Parvathi Krishnan:
Shri Nagi Reddy:

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

(a) the various types of industrial sewing machines produced in the country;

(b) the number of each type produced in 1959;

(c) the number of machines exported in 1959; and

(d) the amount of foreign exchange earned thereby?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Light Industrial Model (Link type) and Heavy Industrial Model corresponding to 31-K-15 Singer type are being produced in the country.

(b) Light Industrial Model
34,694 Nos.

Heavy Industrial Model
1,317 Nos.

(c) 62 Nos.

(d) Rs. 16,000/-.

Quota of Iron and other Metals for Sirmur

1540. Shri S. N. Ramaul: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) how much quota of Iron and other metals for small scale industry was allotted to District Sirmur in Himachal Pradesh during 1958-59, 1959-60 and 1960-61;

(b) to whom the quota was allotted and how much each;

(c) whether the quota was duly distributed each year; and

(d) whether the goods for which the quota was obtained were prepared by the allottees?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (d). Quotas of Iron and other Metals are not allotted district-wise. The information asked for by the honourable member is, therefore, not available.

Price of Camphor

1541. Shri Kunhan: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that price of camphor has gone up recently;

(b) if so, the steps taken to control the price;

(c) whether 400 cases of camphor were imported by State Trading Corporation; and

(d) if so, the details as to how these 400 cases were allotted or distributed?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Kanungo): (a) No, Sir; not recently.

(b) Does not arise.