

South Asian countries. It is expected that this would have a favourable impact on trade among these countries.

Brands of Tea Exported

9419. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state the names of the brands of tea which are being exported ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) :

Teas exported in the form of packets are sold under various brand names which number over four hundred. No exhaustive record of various brand names, under which tea is exported, is maintained by Government. Some of the principal brand names of Indian packet teas are as follows :—

1. Sitara
2. Butterfly
3. Red Label
4. Blue Tea Pot
5. Red Tea Pot
6. Silver Pot
7. Royal Cuppa Chai
8. Runglee Rungliot
9. Quality tea
10. Windsor Castle
11. Veera Swamy's Tea
12. India Royal
13. Royal Tea
14. Gold Bond
15. Indian Queen
16. Five Star
17. Kanchen Junga
18. Dome and Minar Tea
19. Aristocrat
20. Mayur
21. Gold Star
22. Crown
23. Yellow Label
24. Green Label
25. Ruby
26. Health Stallion
27. Maya
28. Chinar
29. Natraj
30. Raj Mahal

Target of Garment Export

9420. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the total value of garment exports in 1982 has failed to reach the set target ; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) : (a) The value of garments exported from India in 1982 is Rs. 633.58 crores (provisional). A target of Rs. 750 crores had been fixed for the financial year 1982-83.

(b) Recessionary trends in the economies of the major importing countries and changes in demand pattern and consumer preferences are said to be largely responsible for the decline in the export of garments.

Suggestions given by economists to contain inflationary pressure

9421. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that leading economists have made a suggestion to him to build up enough stocks of grain and edible oils to contain inflationary pressures ; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction to it ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) and (b) In the informal pre-budget meeting that F.M. had with economists on January 27, 1983 some economists have advocated liberal resort to imports to build up stocks while others did not favour the use of foreign exchange for meeting the consumption needs.

Public Distribution System has become an essential feature of anti-inflationary policy of the Government and is being strengthened. For its smooth functioning requisite stocks of essential commodities including foodgrains and edible oils are maintained. Government has not hesitated in arranging imports of essential items for public consumption despite difficult balance of payments position.