

with the result that other consumers buying subsequently have no means of knowing the price originally marked; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to check it?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). A few reports were received earlier regarding the cutting off of the stamped portion of the cloth by dealers. To prevent such malpractices the Textile Commissioner issued a press note on the 9th January, 1961 inviting the attention of the trade as well as of the public to the existing notification under the Cotton Textile (Control) Order which prescribes that the portion stamped with prices should be sold last.

#### Purchase of Khadi

**3752. Shri Bibhuti Mishra:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent in the purchase of hand spun and hand woven khadi for Government purposes during the years 1958, 1959 and 1960; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to give encouragement to khadi through purchases and otherwise?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). A statement containing the required information is laid on the Table. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 4].

#### Documentary Film on 'Filariasis'

**3753. Shri Ram Shankar Lal:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state when the documentary film on 'Filariasis' in regional languages will be completed and distributed to States for public show?

**The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar):** The documentary film on 'Filariasis', entitled "ELEPHANT LEGS", has been com-

pleted and is scheduled for release in all regional languages in cinemas in coastal and other States, in which this disease is prevalent, on May 26, 1961. A longer version of the films will also be shown through mobile vans of the Central and State Governments.

#### Road Making Machinery

**3754. Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country is self-sufficient in Road Rollers, their spare parts and other road-making machinery like crushers, mixers, vibrators, etc.; and

(b) if not, what steps are being taken to attain self-sufficiency?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). The indigenous production of Road-Rollers, their spares and other road making machinery viz., crushers, mixers and vibrators is adequate to meet the present requirements of the country. Schemes for installing additional capacity are being considered on merits to meet additional requirements in the future.

#### Rope Industry

**3756** { **Shri Shree Narayan Das:**  
**Shri Radha Raman:**

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

(a) the extent to which the rope industry in India has to depend upon import for its raw materials;

(b) whether any assessment has been made as to the present and Third Five Year Plan requirements of such materials and the capacity of the industry to consume; and

(c) the present position of the supply of raw materials both by imports and indigenous production?