

ties created by the end of the Second Plan.

(c) The shortage of diploma holders, having a training of 3 years duration, will be made up through the provision of additional facilities in the initial years of the Third Plan.

Production and Export of Bicycles

*566. { Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi;
Shri P. C. Boroach;
Shri Daljit Singh;
Shri N. M. Deb:

Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to refer to the replies given to Unstarred Questions No. 1266 and 1501 on the 8th and 13th March, 1961 respectively and state:

(a) the targets of production and export of bicycles during the 'Third Five Year Plan period;

(b) what kinds of incentives and facilities are being afforded to the bicycle manufacturing units to enable them to achieve their production and export targets during the Third Five Year Plan; and

(c) the figures showing the production and export of bicycles during the Second Five Year Plan, year-wise?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 31].

Coir Industry

1108. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1086 on the 24th March, 1961 and state:

(a) whether Government have considered the proposal for modernising and mechanising the manufacturing sector of the coir industry; and

(b) if so, with what result?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). The matter is still under the consideration of the Coir Board pending the receipt of a report on a market survey in the U.K. undertaken by the Coir Board in collaboration with the British Mats and Mattings Manufacturers Association.

Documentaries of Local Interest

1109. { Shri Ram Krishan Gupta;
Shri Sarju Pandey:

Will the Minister of **Information and Broadcasting** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1091 on the 24th March, 1961 and to state the progress since made in the production of documentaries of local interest for State Governments?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): Views of State Governments have since been received. Some of them have agreed to participate in the scheme. It is proposed to make a beginning with the production of about half a dozen films a year. The financial and staff requirements are being worked out.

Soda Ash Factory at Sambhar

1110. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1095 on the 24th March, 1961 and state:

(a) whether Government have since received proposal from Rajasthan Government for starting Soda Ash Factory at Sambhar; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). No, Sir. The Rajasthan Government are getting a 'Project Report' prepared regarding the possibilities of setting up a Soda Ash factory at or around Sambhar.