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3.	Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council	1954
4.	Chemicals & Allied Products Export Promotion Council	1958
5.	Cashew Export Promotion Council	1955
6.	Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council	1966
7.	Handloom Export Promotion Council	1965
8.	Leather Export Promotion Council	1956
9.	Sports Goods Export Promotion Council	1958
10.	Shellac Export Promotion Council	1957
11.	Silk & Rayon Textile Export Promotion Council	1954
12.	Wool & Woolen Export Promotion Council	1965
13.	Plastics & Linoleums Export Promotion Council	1955
14.	Engineering Export Promotion Council	1955
15.	Processed Foods Export Promotion Council	1962
16.	Spices Export Promotion Council	1960
17.	Carpet Export Promotion Council	1982
18.	Export Promotion Council for finished leather and leather Manufacturers	1963

The following Export Promotion Councils have been recently approved by the Government of India but not yet started functioning :—

1. Indian Silk Export Promotion Council.
2. Handicrafts Export Promotion Council.
3. Export Promotion Council for Construction and Civil Engineering.

D A. [Neutralisation Panel

1802. SHRI CHITTA BASU : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Dearness Allowance Neutralisation Panel has since come to any conclusion regarding the upward revision of the variable Dearness Allowance ; and

(b) if not, the reasons for the delay ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE : (SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO) : (a) The Tripar-

tite Committee for considering revision in the DA formula for Central Public Sector employees is continuing its deliberations.

(b) In view of (a), does not arise.

Pakistan's Nuclear Capability

1803. SHRI P.M. SAYEED :

PROF. P.J. KURIEN :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to State :

(a) whether Pakistan is close to developing nuclear weapons capability for testing a nuclear bomb ;

(b) if so, whether Pakistan is to explode the nuclear bomb within one or two months; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI R. VENKATARAMAN) : (a) and (b) Available information suggests that Pakistan