

किये गये भारतीय और विदेशी व्यक्तियों की संख्या क्या है ;

(ख) इनमें से उन व्यक्तियों की संख्या क्या है जिन पर मुकदमा चलाया गया था और उनमें से कितनों को बाद में छोड़ दिया गया था ; और

(ग) गिरफ्तार किये गये व्यक्तियों में से अल्पमत और बहुमत सम्प्रदायो के व्यक्तियों की अलग-अलग संख्या क्या थी ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कृष्ण बन्द्र परत) : (क) से (ग). सूचना एकात्रित की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Performance of M.M.T.C. Branches Located Abroad

1059. SHRI S. R. DAMANI : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the number and location of branches of the M.M.T.C. that are working outside the country ;

(b) the extent to which they have helped to increase our exports and in what items ;

(c) whether the M.M.T.C. has appointed agents in other countries ; and

(d) if so, the names of countries, the criteria for such appointment, the commission paid to them and their performance ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) and (b) . The MMTC has only one Branch office outside the country This is in Tokyo and it has helped the MMTC in effectively increasing the exports of iron ore to Japan from 6.6 million tonnes in 1968-69 to 8.6 million tonnes in 1970-71

and of manganese ore from .83 million tonnes in 1968-69 to 1.3 million tonnes in 70-71.

(c) and (d) . The MMTC has appointed agents in Italy, France, Belgium, Federal Republic of Germany, Spain, Austria, the Netherlands, U.K., Greece, Luxembourg and Japan. Established exporters or trading houses who are well placed with the consumers are appointed as agents or 'liaison' by the MMTC. The commission payable is dependent on the service rendered in securing orders for exports of iron ore or manganese ore. The performance of the agents has been up to expectations.

Walk out by P. T. Employees' Representatives from Meeting with P. M. G., Punjab

1060 SHRI MOHINDER SINGH GILL : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the employees' representatives of nine recognised Unions belonging to the N.F.P.T.E. walked out of the meeting with the Postmaster General, Punjab some time back ;

(b) if so, the main points of their demands ;

(c) whether the demands and circumstances that led to a walk-out have since been settled ; and

(d) the steps being taken to normalise the relations with the Unions in Punjab Circle ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) . Does not arise.

(d) The relations between the Unions and the Administration in Punjab Circle so far are normal and cordial.

Decline in India's Exports Trade

1061. SHRI P. K. DEO : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been invited to a report in the *Economic*