

(b) if so, whether they have suggested that a quality development fund be created in the engineering industry;

(c) other suggestions made in regard to development of engineering industry; and

(d) how far Government have accepted them?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The recommendations of the Fifth All India Conference on Quality Control, organised by the Indian Statistical Institute in March, 1971, have not yet been received in the Cabinet Secretariat, Department of Statistics.

Supply of Cotton Yarn to Manipur Handloom Weavers

2292 **SHRI N. TOMBI SINGH :** Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state whether the Government of Manipur have arranged to supply cotton yarn to handloom weavers of Manipur at subsidised or reasonable rates?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : There is no distribution or price control over yarn. However, Government, with a view to removing the difficulties of the handloom weavers of Manipur, are, with the assistance of some mills, trying to arrange for regular supply of their monthly requirements of yarn at reasonable rates.

Appointment of Counsellor to Study Conditions of Jute Industry

2293. **SHRI S. M. KRISHNA :**
SHRI P. GANGADEB :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government had appointed a Counsellor to study the conditions of the jute industry;

(b) whether he has submitted any report; and

(c) if so, the main features of the suggestions made therein?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) No, Sir.

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

कपड़ा उद्योग द्वारा नियंत्रित कपड़े का उत्पादन

2294. श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :

श्री लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडे :

क्या विदेश व्यापार मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या नियंत्रित विस्मों के 40 प्रतिशत कपड़े का उत्पादन सुनिश्चित करने हेतु कपड़ा उद्योग पर प्रतिबन्ध लगाने की कोई योजना सरकार के विचाराधीन है;

(ख) उससे जनता को क्या लाभ पहुँचिगा; और

(ग) कपड़े के उत्पादन पर उसका क्या प्रभाव पड़ेगा और इस योजना के परिणाम-स्वरूप कपड़ा मिलों को कितनी हानि अथवा लाभ होने की सम्भावना है?

विदेश व्यापार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री ए० सी० जार्ज) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

Grant of Licence to Foreign Companies for Manufacture of TV Sets.

2295. **SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY :**
SHRI C. CHITTIBABU :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of TV Sets produced during the current year and their estimated cost.

(b) the estimated demand of TV Sets, State-wise for the current year;