

**Joint Ventures Abroad**

1207 SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state

(a) the total outlay on the industrial ventures set up by Indians in foreign countries,

(b) the countries where these ventures have been set up ?

(c) the total amount of money repatriated to India by way of dividends, technical know-how fee, and managerial fee by these ventures, and

(d) whether Government intend to encourage the setting up of more such ventures in foreign countries ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A C GEORGE) (a) Out of the total approved joint ventures abroad, 28 have already been set up with total Indian investment of the order of Rs 448.5 lakhs

(b) These 28 industrial joint ventures are set up in Ethiopia, Kenya, Libya, Mauritius, Nigeria, Uganda, Ceylon, Iran, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, Ireland, U.K., Canada and West Germany

(c) The total amount of money repatriated to India by way of dividends, technical know-how fee and managerial fee by these ventures, as per information available with Government, is Rs 92.43 lakhs

(d) Yes, Sir

**Films sold to Foreign Countries**

1208 SHRI N E HORO Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state

(a) the names and number of the Films, financed by the Film Corporation, sold to foreign countries during 1970-71, and

(b) the amount of foreign exchange earned through this process ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A C GEORGE) (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House

**Export of Iron Ore**

1209 SHRI DEVINDER SINGH GARCHA Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state

(a) whether there is a scheme under consideration of Government to boost the export of iron ore,

(b) whether any new markets have been explored for the increased targets, and

(c) if so, the broad outlines thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A C GEORGE) (a) In order to increase our iron export capacity, a number of schemes are under implementation. The objective is to modernise the ore production in keeping with the buyers' changing requirements and secondly to build up the infrastructure, particularly loading facilities at the ports

In the mining sector, the schemes include commissioning of two new and large mechanised mines at Deposit No 5 in Bailadila and at Denimatal respectively apart from expansion of production in the privately owned mines in various mining areas

In the railway sector, the schemes include completion of Cuttack-Paradip rail link already under construction and increase in the capacity, including rolling stock, of other existing railway lines

In the port sector, deep draft alongside loading berths have already been commissioned at Paradeep the capacity of which is being augmented, work is in progress for commissioning such berths at Haldia, Murmagao, Madras Outer Harbour and Visakanapathnam Outer Harbour

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir At present Indian iron ore is exported primarily t

Japan and countries in East and West Europe. MMTC has in the recent past been exploring the possibility of finding new markets for Indian iron ore in countries such as Taiwan and South Korea. Some contracts have already been concluded and further contracts are under negotiation. A delegation from the MMTC has just completed negotiations with South Korea.

#### Closure of Thermal Plant at Barauni

1210. SHRI N.E. HORO : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have appointed a team of Central Water and Power Commission to study the circumstances leading to the closure of the Thermal Plant at Barauni on the 21st August, 1971; and

(b) if so, the main recommendations of the team and the action taken in the matter ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B.N. KUREEL) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Sale of Crude Oil and Sulphur to India by Iraq

1211. SHRI DINESH JOARDAR :  
SHRI M. KALYANASUN-  
DARAM :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of India have received any offer from Iraq Government to sell crude oil and sulphur to India in exchange for Indian machinery;

(b) if so, the nature of the offer; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereon ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI

A. C. GEORGE) : (a) to (c). A Trade Arrangement was signed with Iraq on 24-9-1971, under which, *inter alia*, import of crude oil worth Rs. 90 million and sulphur worth Rs. 18 million from Iraq against various unspecified Indian commodities during the trade plan period of 1-9 1971 to 31-3-1973, is envisaged. The Government of India welcomes the diversification of commodities involved in the trade plan with Iraq.

आयात के बारे में राज्य व्यापार निगम तथा खनिज और धातु व्यापार निगम द्वारा अपनाई गई प्रक्रिया

1212. डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडेय : क्या विदेश व्यापार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) औषधि निर्माण क्षेत्र में राज्य-व्यापार निगम द्वारा किसी वस्तु के आयात करने तथा उसका आयात गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र में बन्द होने से पहले उद्योगियों को कच्चे माल की समय पर सप्लाई उपलब्ध कराने के बारे में क्या प्रक्रिया अपनाई गई है;

(ख) क्या राज्य व्यापार निगम द्वारा आयात करने से पहले विश्व के सभी देशों से टेंडर मांगे जाते हैं; और

(ग) वस्तुओं के आयात के सम्बन्ध में खनिज और धातु व्यापार निगम ने क्या प्रक्रिया अपनाई है ?

विदेश व्यापार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री ए०सी० जार्ज) : (क) राज्य व्यापार निगम ने विश्व बाजारों में कच्चे माल के पतिकर्ताओं के पर्याप्त सम्पर्क स्थापित कर लिये हैं ताकि ज्यों ही औषधि निर्माता उद्योग द्वांग अपेक्षित कच्चे माल का आयात निगम के माध्यम से मार्गीकृत किया जाए त्यों ही निगम अपेक्षित कच्चे माल के आयात की व्यवस्था करने में समर्थ हो सकें।

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