

allowed. The chemical ingredients imported against the replenishment scheme are :

- (a) Mixture of odiferous substances, non-alcoholic.
- (b) Essences containing spirit.
- (c) Natural orange and lemon oil, other natural essential oils (permissible items).
- (d) Citric Acid.
- (e) Synthetic essential oils.
- (f) Vanilla Beans.

The Coca Cola Export Corporation have to give an undertaking alongwith the import application that the imported material shall be used only for export production and shall not be disposed of locally to the bottlers or elsewhere. The imported ingredients are thus used exclusively for manufacture of the Coca Cola Concentrate which is exported and not by bottlers. The percentage of the ingredient in the finished product is 4.5% as assessed by the Yunus Committee.

Soviet Assistance for Export-Oriented Industries

*1060. SHRI H. M. PATEL : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Soviet assistance has been sought for developing export-oriented industries in India; and

(b) whether Government of India have had any discussion with the Soviet Government in this regard and if so, the decisions taken by the two Governments ?

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA): (a) and (b). Preliminary discussions have taken place with the U. S. S. R. authorities on the question of Soviet assistance, including offer of credit facilities, for setting up export oriented industries in India. No details have yet been worked out.

Shortage of Wheel Tyres on Western Railways

7861. SHRI PANNA LAL BARUPAL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is an acute shortage of wheel tyres on the Western Railway and engines are put on line with condemning size of tyres on Western Railway;

(b) whether such tyres can cause accident at any time and if so, the reasons for putting public life into danger by allowing unsafe engines on line;

(c) the total number of engines in operation with either condemning size of tyres or varied size of tyres; and

(d) whether Government propose to appoint an Expert Committee of Engineers to examine all the locomotives which are being used on Western Railway from the point of view of the safety of travelling public and Railway property ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) There is no acute shortage of wheel tyres on the Western Railway and no train engine is put on line with condemning size of tyres.

(b) to (d) . Do not arise.

Import of Steel from Rupee Countries

7862 SHRI VAYALAR RAVI : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No 4987 on the 4th April, 1972 regarding import of steel from USSR and state :

(a) the names of actual users and canalising agencies who have been given import licences to import steel from the Rupee payment countries during 1972-73; and

(b) the total quantity of steel for which licences have been issued ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) and (b). Quantity-wise