

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. R. GANESH):** (a) and (b). While giving reply to Unstarred Question No. 5426 on the 22nd December, 1972, it was expected that it would be possible for the Department of Parliamentary Affairs to lay the requisite information on the Table of the House during the last Session of the Sabha itself. This unfortunately was not possible at that Session but the needful has since been done on the 22nd February, 1973.

**Lady Searchers in the Excise and Customs Department**

**619. SHRI K. SURYANARAYANA:** Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 810 on the 17th November, 1972 and state the stage at which the matter regarding the promotion of the Lady searchers in the Chandigarh and Delhi Central Excise Collectorates stands at present?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. R. GANESH):** The matter is expected to be finalised shortly.

**New Trade Agreements for the products of Small Scale Industries signed during Asia'72**

**620. SHRI NARENDRA SINGH:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether big success has been achieved in the field of export agreements for the products of small scale industries during Asia'72 Trade Fair;

(b) if so, the names of the countries with whom new agreements were signed;

(c) whether these are long term agreements and if so, the period thereof; and

(d) the items of industrial goods accounting for the big success achieved in the field of exports?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE):** (a) Yes Sir.

(b) USSR, Czechoslovakia Poland, Sweden, Spain, Australia, USA, Iran Holland, West-Germany, Kuwait, U.K. etc.

(c) These are only export orders.

(d) Bicycles and parts, Refrigerators, Vacuum flasks, Medical Instruments, Garage equipments, hand-tools, Alarm clocks, Brake-sole & cast iron, Fencing components, Industrial fasteners, stainless steel cutlery, Locks and padlocks etc.

**Recruitment made by Export Inspection Council**

**621. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any specific Recruitment Rules in the Export Inspection Council; Agency;

(b) if so, whether Government have received any complaint that recruitment is not being made according to these Rules; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the action taken in the matter?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir

(c) Does not arise.

**Loan sanctioned to Central Government Employees or purchase of Scooters and Cars**

**623. SHRI R. V. BADE:  
SHRI HUKAM CHAND  
KACHWAI:**

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of loan sanctioned to the Central Government employees for the purchase of scooters and cars during 1971-72; and

(b) the amount of loan which is expected to be sanctioned to the employees for the aforesaid purpose during 1972-73?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. R. GANESH):** (a) The information has to be collected from all the Ministries|Departments of the Central Government and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

(b) The Budget Estimates for 1972-73 contained a provision of Rs. 16.44 crores for loans to Central Government employees, which was intended to cover, besides purchase of all kinds of conveyances like motor-cars scooters, motor-cycles and bicycles, other items like purchase of fans, warm clothings etc. Information regarding the estimated expenditure on account of loans for the purchase of scooters and cars alone, in the light of the demands during the year 1972-73 is not readily available and has to be collected from all the Ministries|Departments This is being done and the information will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

**Supply of Wagons to Yugoslavia**

**624. SHRI P. A. SWAMINATHAN· SHRI RAM SHEKHAR PRASAD SINGH:**

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether first batch of wagons has left for Belgrade;

(b) whether Yugoslavia had placed a massive order for supply of 3,600 wagons;

(c) if so, how many wagons have so far been supplied; and

(d) how many will be supplied during this year?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE):** (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) Fifty wagon sets sub-assemblies for assembly in Yugoslavia and one Prototype assembled wagon have so far been shipped.

(d) During 1973, it is expected that approximately 1550 wagons will be shipped in semi-knocked down condition for delivery after assembly in Yugoslavia.

**Wagons from Poland**

**625. SHRI RAMKANWAR:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Poland has offered to buy a large number of Railway Wagons from India;

(b) if so, the number of wagons proposed to be bought; and

(c) how much foreign exchange consequently is likely to be earned by the country?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The deal is still at negotiation stage.

**World Bank Assistance for Irrigation Project in Bihar**

**626. KUMARI KAMLA KUMARI:** Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have requested the World Bank to give financial help to Bihar and Chhota-nagpur, specially for irrigation projects; and

(b) if so, the broad outlines of the request made?

**THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YESHWANTRAO CHAVAN)**

(a) A proposal for obtaining a development credit from International Development Association (IDA), the soft-loan affiliate of the World Bank, for an agricultural credit project comprising certain districts of North Bihar and Gandak Command Area is presently under consideration. The proposal has not yet been appraised by the IDA