

(c) The actual figures of expenditure are not yet available as the Festival concluded on 15-5-1962.

**Export of Shoes**

1334. **Dr. L. M. Singhvi:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have explored the possibilities of Rajasthani Pagarakhis (light shoes made in Rajasthan) as a foreign exchange earner;

(b) what steps, if any, Government envisage for popularising Rajasthani Pagarakhis abroad and for encouraging the production of Pagarakhis in Rajasthan; and

(c) what incentives and subsidies are being given to individual labourers and cooperative societies for developing tanning and colouring of leather and for production of Pagarakhis and similar articles in Jodhpur which has traditionally been one of the main centres for this kind of work?

**The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). The Government have taken necessary steps for promoting exports of footwear in general including pagarakhis. Pagarakhis have been displayed in important exhibitions and fairs abroad. The State Government has given technical, financial and marketing assistance to Pagarakhi manufacturers and publicised their products.

(c) The State Government is giving loans to cooperative societies and individuals for the purpose.

**Export of Indian Pottery Products**

1335. **Dr. L. M. Singhvi:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are exploring the possibility of exporting Indian pottery products abroad;

(b) whether there is at present any export of Indian pottery products abroad; and

(c) if so, to what countries and of how much total value?

**The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) Pottery products are exported from India mainly to Pakistan, Afghanistan, Iraq, Burma, Ceylon, Aden, Kenya, U.S.A., and U.K. The exports of these products during 1959, 1960 and 1961 were of the order of Rs. 1.93, 1.02, and 2.57 lakhs respectively.

**Employees' State Insurance Scheme**

✓ 1336. { **Shri K. N. Pande:**  
**Shri Mulchand Dube:**

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

(a) in how many years the Employees' State Insurance Scheme has been extended to the families of the insured workers; and

(b) the number of the families so covered by Insurance Scheme in different areas?

**The Minister of Labour in the Ministry of Labour and Employment (Shri Hathi):** (a) Medical care is being extended by stages to the families of insured persons in different areas since 1958.

State	Families covered (Up to 30-4-62)
Andhra Pradesh . . . . .	56,650
Assam . . . . .	4,200
Bihar . . . . .	40,950
Union Territory of Delhi . . . . .	61,000
Kerala . . . . .	3,200
Madhya Pradesh . . . . .	80,800
Madras . . . . .	36,650
Maharashtra . . . . .	1,80,545
Mysore . . . . .	77,600
Orissa . . . . .	23,000
Punjab . . . . .	68,100
Rajasthan . . . . .	28,450
Uttar Pradesh . . . . .	1,51,200
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>12,12,345</b>