

844 on the 23rd November, 1962 and state:

(a) the total requirement of mopeds in the country; and

(b) the total production capacity of the already commissioned units which are producing mopeds?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam):

(a) and (b). The demand for mopeds alone has not been assessed. However, it is covered under the demand for scooters, three-wheelers etc., which is estimated at 60,000 numbers per annum, by 1965-66.

Only one firm is, at present, manufacturing mopeds. Its combined capacity for the manufacture of scooters, three-wheelers and mopeds is 12,000 Nos. per annum.

Overseas Purchase Organisations

1811. { Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:

Will the Minister of Economic and Defence Coordination be pleased to state the names of the countries where the overseas purchase organisations are going to be set up or have already been set up during the Third Plan period?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Economic and Defence Coordination (Shri Jaganatha Rao): No Overseas Purchase Organisation has been set up so far during the Third Plan period nor is it proposed to set up any for the present.

Cashew nut

1812. **Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for the slump in the cashew-nut market; and

(b) the wholesale prices of cashew-nut in January, 1960, 1961 and 1962?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and In-

dustry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) No slump in the Cashew industry has been reported to the Government of India.

(b) The following are the prices of Cashews in India during the week-ends in January 1960, 1961 and 1962:—

Quality	Price per metric ton in week-ends in January (in rupees)		
	1960	1961	1962
Medium	4,850	5,225	3,968
Pieces	3,174	3,174	2,645

Manufacture of Power Tillers

1813. **Shri Raghunath Singh:** Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether a delegation of five experts from the Kubota Iron and Machinery Company of Japan visited India for setting up a factory to manufacture power tillers; and

(b) if so, whether any plan to set up a factory has materialised?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam):

(a) and (b). At the invitation of the Government of Bihar, a five-man Japanese delegation visited India and had discussions with the Government of Bihar, Orissa and West Bengal and others regarding import/manufacture of the Kubota Power Tillers in India. Even before the visit of the delegation, a private firm had submitted an application under the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951 for the manufacture of this make of tiller. The application, along with similar other applications, is under consideration.

Wool Industry in Rajasthan

1814. { Shri Bishanchander Seth:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have offered the services of experts