

**Fertilizers, Petro-Chemical and
Machine Industry**

245. { **Shri P. K. Ghosh:**
Shri Kapur Singh:
Shri Kesar Lal:
Shri Yashpal Singh:

Will the Minister of **Steel and Heavy Industries** be pleased to state:

(a) whether France is proposing to extend to this country industrial and technical co-operation in building fertilisers, petro-chemical and machine industry; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and when such an agreement is likely to be finalised?

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

(a) and (b). At the instance of the Oil and Natural Gas Commission, the French Institute of Petroleum have prepared a report on the development of petro-chemical industry in India. The report is, at present, under examination in the Ministry of Mines and Fuel. The possibilities of collaboration with the French Institute of Petroleum in setting up of a petro-chemical complex around Koyali Refinery in Gujarat is also under examination. It will take some time before a final decision in the matter is taken. No other proposal from France regarding the extension of industrial and technical co-operation is under consideration.

Export of Engineering Goods

246. { **Shri Subodh Hansda:**
Dr. Mahadeva Prasad:

Will the Minister of **International Trade** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the delegation of the Engineering Export Promotion Council has completed its tour of Western Europe;

(b) which of the countries they visited;

(c) whether it has been able to explore any market for engineering goods; and

(d) if so, for which engineering goods?

The Minister of International Trade (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Italy, West Germany, Holland, Belgium, France and U.K.

(c) and (d). The delegation is hopeful that West Europe offers opportunities for the following engineering goods and services:

- (i) Iron and steel castings for machine tool and machine building industries and other components and parts required.
- (ii) Tools, dies, jigs and fixtures as per specifications of European manufacturers.
- (iii) Forgings.
- (iv) Special purpose machines either for incorporation in a European product or to be used as such e.g. milling cutters, lathe chucks, die casting machines, hydraulic presses etc.
- (v) Fabrication of machine tools, plant and machinery in the range of less sophisticated field where a European manufacturer is gradually stopping its production owing to less demand on the continent itself or is procuring them from elsewhere at present.
- (vi) Making of patterns (wooden as well as metallic) according to designs and specifications of European manufacturers.
- (vii) Producer goods of the second degree such as diesel engines, electric motors, switchgears, sewing machines, small tools, both engineering as well as carpenter tools, such as cutters, twist drills, reamers, vices, garage tools etc.

(viii) Consumer goods like steel folding furniture, specialised builders' hardware, coffers, ventilator fans, sanitary fittings, manhole covers and concrete reinforcing bars.

(ix) Special consumer items needed on the continent but at present being imported only from Japan e.g. musical boxes, tool kits etc. where Japanese prices are now proving uneconomical.

Export of Engineering Goods to Indonesia

247. { Shri Subodh Hansda:
Dr. Mahadeva Prasad:

Will the Minister of **International Trade** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the delegation sent to Indonesia for exploring prospects for export of engineering goods has concluded any agreement for export of such goods to Indonesia; and

(b) if so, the nature of agreement and for what engineering goods?

The Minister of International Trade (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Export of Indian Ready-made Garments to Aden

248. **Shri Subodh Hansda:** Will the Minister of **International Trade** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Aden has a very good demand of Indian ready-made garments;

(b) if so, the reason for its not being able to capture the market; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to capture such a market at Aden?

The Minister of International Trade (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Hong Kong and Japan are the major suppliers of ready-made garments to Aden. India's share is negligible.

(b) At present Indian prices for ready made garments are not competitive.

(c) The Export Promotion Scheme for ready-made garments has been revised recently and this is expected to assist our exports to Aden.

Zagreb Fair in Yugoslavia

249. { **Shri Rameshwar Tantia:**
Shri Basumatari:

Will the Minister of **International Trade** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has decided to participate in the Zagreb Fair in Yugoslavia; and

(b) if so, the estimated expenditure for it?

The Minister of International Trade (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 1,57,800.00.

Power Equipment Plant at Ramchandrapuram

250. { **Shri D. C. Sharma:**
Shri Morarka:
Shri Ravindra Varma:
Shri Surendra Pal Singh:
Shri Onkar Lal Berua:
Shri P. C. Borrooah:

Will the Minister of **Steel and Heavy Industries** be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposals for the setting up of a heavy power equipment plant at Ramchandrapuram near Hyderabad under a contract with Czechoslovak Foreign Trade Corporation Technoexport, have been finalised; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) Yes, Sir;

(b) The Detailed Project Report of the Heavy Power Equipment Plant at Ramchandrapuram has been accepted