

(b) Majority of the organisations, who have replied so far, have approved the draft code of conduct and some have suggested minor modifications. The draft code is placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1973/63].

Consumer Co-operatives

*296. **Shri Heda:** Will the Minister of **International Trade** be pleased to state:

(a) whether consumer co-operatives and fair price shops have been allowed to get cloth from mills at ex-mill rates;

(b) if so, to what extent; and

(c) the names of the popular varieties that have been included in the scheme?

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

(b) and (c). The Cotton Mill Industry have agreed to ear-mark 10 per cent of the cross-section of each mill's production of cloth for direct supplies from the mills to these approved channels at ex-mill prices stamped on the cloth.

The coverage of items included for supply does not restrict itself to any particular variety classified as 'popular'. The cross-section includes all varieties of cloth. The following are the items generally included for supplies:

1. Dhoties
2. Sarees
3. Mulls
4. Voils
5. Poplins
6. Twills
7. Long-cloth
8. Sucies
9. Sheeting, Leopard & Markin
10. Cambrics and Lawns
11. Prints & Chintz
12. Coatings, Tussore & Corduroy

13. Drills, Jeans, Satin & Gaberdine
14. Mazri cloth
15. Bed ticking/Gadlapet
16. Chaddar, Bedsheet, Blankets & Bed Cover.
17. Madapalam
18. Leno cloth.

Steel Plant at Goa

*297. { **Shri P. C. Borooah:**
Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
Shri H. C. Soy:

Will the Minister of **Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering** be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a scheme to set up a steel plant in the public sector at Goa in the Fourth Plan; and

(b) if so, the broad outlines of the scheme?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) The question of setting up a steel plant in the Goa-Hospet region during the Fourth Plan is under consideration.

(b) At present feasibility studies are being conducted for the plant. It is not possible to indicate any details pending the receipt of the feasibility report which is expected in December, 1963.

Retail Cloth Stores of Textile Mills

*298. **Dr. L. M. Singhvi:** Will the Minister of **International Trade** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government favourably view the opening of retail cloth stores by the textile mills;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, the steps Government have taken to ensure against any kind of monopoly in the distribution of cloth?

The Minister of International Trade (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (c). Government encourage only co-operative stores and Government owned,