

Government have informed us that the following applications for grant of mineral concessions are pending with the Collector of Narasinghpur:—

Name and address of the applicant	Nature of Concession applied for	Area applied for
1. Smt. Saraladevi Shukla, Pratibha Press Building, Wardha Road, Nagpur—1.	Prospecting licer ce.	14 sq. miles.
2. Motilal Soni, Junordeo, Chhidwara (M.P.)	Mining lease	378.70 acres
3. Smt. Saraladevi Shukla, Pratibha Press Building, Wardha Road, Nagpur—1.	Mining lease	70.87 acres.

**Cotton Yarn**

**Scooters**

1849. { Shri M. L. Jadhav;  
          { Shri Jedhe;  
          { Shri Lonikar:

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the total requirements of bales of cotton yarn of the mill sector, powerloom sector and handloom sector;

(b) how the requirement is satisfied from the Indian cotton and imported cotton;

(c) upto what counts yarn can be spun from Indian cotton; and

(d) how much yarn in bales was spun from the imported cotton during 1962-63 and 1963-64?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) 4.21 million bales (of 200 Kgs. each) for 1963-64.

(b) Approximately 88 per cent from Indian cotton and 12 per cent from the imported cotton.

(c) Some superior grades of Indian cotton the production of which is very limited, can spin upto 52s to 68s (new French count) corresponding to 60s to 80s (old English count).

(d)

	Wholly from imported cotton.	From a mixture of Indian and foreign cotton.
1962-63	400	715
1963-64	370	400

(in thousand bales of 200 kgs.)

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1850. Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to refer to the reply given to supplementaries raised on Starred Question No. 567 on the 13th March, 1964 and state:

(a) what would be the price of a scooter when the production in a unit reaches thirty thousand and fifty thousand respectively;

(b) the steps being taken to select a unit for the purpose; and

(c) the foreign exchange requirements?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) Though some reduction in the prices of scooters is anticipated when the production is increased to 30,000/50,000 Nos. per annum, the extent of such reduction has not been estimated.

(b) There is no intention to select a particular unit for expansion. All the existing units will be allowed to expand in due course to meet the expected increase in demand during the Fourth Five Year Plan.

(c) Does not arise.