

**COMMISSION CHARGED BY S.T.C. ON
EXPORT OF SHOES.**

4493. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(u) Whether it is a fact that the State Trading Corporation keeps to itself Rs. 10 per pair of shoes as its margin for meeting expenses involved in packing, freight, inspection, development and publicity;

(b) whether the industry has represented that because of this big margin taken by the State Trading Corporation, very little is left to it;

(c) the total amount thus collected annually by the State Trading Corporation; and

(d) the break up of its utilisation ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) S. T. C.'s fabricators had represented for an increase in the procurement prices payable to them for shoes for shipment to U.S.S.R. The procurement prices were worked out on the same formula as applied in 1967 and are considered workable for the fabricators.

(c) and (d). It is not in the business interest of the S. T. C. to divulge this information.

MYSORE IRON & STEEL WORKS, BHADRAVATI

4494. SHRI J. H. PATEL : Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND METALS be pleased to state;

(a) the financial position of the Mysore Iron & Steel Works at Bhadravati and whether it is incurring any loss;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to order an inquiry into the affairs of the Company ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL, MINES AND METALS (CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK) :

(a) Mysore Iron & Steel Ltd. is running at profit.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

**खादी प्रामोद्योग भवन, नई दिल्ली
में वस्तुओं की बिक्री**

4495. श्री झा० सुन्दरलाल : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि खादी प्रामोद्योग भवन, नई दिल्ली में बेची जाने वाली वस्तुएं कुछ अमान्य संगठनों से खरीदी जाती हैं और वे मनमाने दाम लगाकर, जो बाजार में उन्हीं वस्तुओं के दामों से कई गुना अधिक होते हैं, काफी मुनाफा कमा रहे हैं ;

(ख) क्या इस माल का भारी स्टॉक बिना बिक्री पड़ा है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस स्थिति को सुधारने के लिये सरकार की क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है ?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री मोहम्मद शफी कुरंशी) : (क) सरकार को ऐसी खरीदारियों के बारे में जानकारी नहीं है ।

(ख) जी, नहीं :

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

LOOTING OF GOODS TRAIN NEAR NIMIAGHAT STATION

4496. SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a goods train was raided and looted by a mob of miscreants between Bholidih and Nimiaghat stations of Eastern Railway on the 2nd March, 1968;

(b) whether it is also a fact that at the same place, the same train was looted on the 26th February, 1968;

(c) if so, the loss incurred as a result thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA) : (a) and (b).