

new French counts 29 or more but less than 34;

- (ii) the Cotton Textile Exports Promotion Council is striving to assist by finding out-lets for yarns and thereby relieving pressure on the mills in the South;
- (iii) the Cotton Textile Export Promotion Council have, on the basis of a report from the mills in the South, agreed to a special additional assistance of Rs. 2 per 10 lbs. for freight differential for cotton yarn on cones/cheese largely manufactured in the South for export to U.K.; and
- (iv) a loan of Rs. 50 lakhs has already been sanctioned by the Central Government to the Government of Madras for re-lending to the Appex Co-operative Societies to enable the latter to purchase and stock yarn.

2. Another relief measure under consideration of the Government is creation of a buffer stock of yarn for the mills in South India. It is hoped that the measures already taken and proposed to be taken will help the mills to reduce their stocks to a reasonable level shortly.

Bharathi Mills, Pondicherry

- 316 SHRI NAMBIAR:
SHRI UMANATH:
SHRI K. RAMANI:
SHRI P. RAMAMURTI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bharathi Mills (Pondicherry) are running in full capacity after being taken over by Government;

(b) if so, whether there is any increase in its production; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Investigation Committee which looked into the affairs of this mill had recommended that the mill be re-started under an Authorised Controller, in two stages. The first stage was to commission about 16280 spindles and 144 looms which could be re-started after cleaning, setting, etc. and this has been done. The question of re-starting the second stage is receiving consideration.

Cut in Textile Production

317. SHRI NAMBIAR:
SHRIMATI SUSEELA
GOPALAN:
SHRI UMANATH:
SHRI K. RAMANI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the South Indian Mill Owners' Association's request to the All India Cotton Mills Federation to prepare a plan to curtail textile production throughout the country; and

(b) if so, the action Government propose to take in this regard?

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

(b) Does not arise.

Export of Rail Wagons to Poland

318. SHRI ANBUCHZHIAN:
SHRI N. R. LASKAR:
SHRI CHENGALRAYA
NAIDU:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Trading Corporation has secur-