

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) and (b). The present policy of the Government of India in regard to requirements of foreign exchange is need based in so far as priority industries are concerned. These industries are getting their full requirements of imported raw materials, components and spare parts. The non priority industries get their requirements based on their last year's licence. New units both in priority and non-priority sectors, are given licence to the extent of 26% of the value of their installed machinery or Rs.50,000,—whichever is less. However, priority industries are entitled to repeat licence on the basis of performance.

Export Of Cotton Yarn

24. SHRI SITARAM KESRI : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of cotton yarn exported during the years 1967-68 and 1968-69;

(b) the total foreign exchange earned in each year ; and

(c) the countries to which it was exported ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK) : (a) and (b). The quantity and value of cotton yarn exported during the year 1967-68 and 1968-69 (upto October 1968) are as under:—

Year	Quantity (million Kgn.)	Value (Rs. Crores)
1967-68	10.282	7.63
1968-69 (upto Oct.68)	12.496	8.21

(c) A statement is laid on the table of the House [Placed in Library See No. LT-9/69].

Reorganisation of Hindustan Steel Ltd.

25. DR. SUSHILA NAYAR :
SHRI D. AMAT :
SHRI G. C. NAIK :
SHRI K. LAKKAPPA :
SHRI R. K. AMIN :

Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND METALS be pleased to state :

(a) Whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government to reorganise the Hindustan Steel Ltd. and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI C. M. POONACHA) : (a) and (b) A Schem of reorganisation of the management structure of Hindustan Steel Limited, was announced by the Minister for Steel, Mines & Metals in his statement laid on the Table of the House on the 20th March, 1968.

Export of Iron Ore to Japan

26. SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN :
SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :
SHRI K. M. KAUSHIK :
SHRI S. P. RAMAMOORTHY :
SHRI D. N. DEB :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Japan has decided to cut its massive steel production programme ;

(b) if so, its likely repercussions on India's iron ore exports to Japan ; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by Government in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK) :

(a) Steel output in Japan is expected to increase in the coming years, though the planned expansion in the steel production capacity is likely to slow down.

(b) Having regard to Japan's steel production programmes, no significant change in the Indian exports of iron ore to Japan is anticipated.

(c) Does not arise.

Supply of Scarce Categories of Steel.

27. SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN :
 SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :
 SHRI C. MUTHUSAMI :
 SHRI P. N. SOLANKI :
 SHRI D. R. PARMAR :
 SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH :
 SHRI J. MOHAMAD IMAM :
 SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU :
 SHRI SITARAM KESRI :
 SHRI C. C. DESAI :

Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND METALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a revision in the procedure for the allocation of priority for supply of scarce categories of Steel; and

(b) if so, the salient features thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) :

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 10% of the total availability of scarce categories of steel has been reserved for clearance of backlog of old orders pending with producers, in the chronological orders of booking. Another 10% has been remarked for despatch to producers' stockyards, so that the requirements of Government Departments, Public Undertakings, Small-Scale users, etc., for less than a wagon load, could be met without difficulty. The remaining 80% of the total availability of scarce categories is distributed to meet priority requirements for

Export, Defence, Communications, etc. etc. on the basis of sponsoring by various sponsoring authorities.

Joint Collaboration Ventures in Foreign Countries.

28. SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN :
 SHRI CHANGALRAYA NAIDU :
 SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :
 SHRI NARENDRA SINGH MAHIDA :
 SHRI C. MUTHUSAMI :
 SHRI P. N. SOLANKI :
 SHRI D. R. PARMAR :
 SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM :
 SHRI SITARAM KESRI :
 SHRI C. C. DESAI :
 SHRI MEETHA LAL MEENA :
 SHRI P. K. DEO :
 SHRI D. N. DEU :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) the number of joint collaboration ventures in foreign countries approved by Government so far ;

(b) the countries for which these joint ventures have been approved ;

(c) the products covered under these ventures ;

(d) the joint ventures which have since started operation, giving the names of the countries;

(e) the guide-lines followed by Government in approving these ventures ; and

(f) the total foreign exchange earnings consequent on the functioning of these ventures outside India ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK) : (a) to (c). Government of India have so far approved the establishment