

ऐसा अनुमान है कि सम्पूर्ण चालू वर्ष में इन निर्यातों का परिणाम अनुमानतः 4,70,000 रु० और मूल्य लगभग 9 करोड़ रुपये होगा।

मेटल स्क्रप ट्रेड कार्पोरेशन के माध्यम से लौह रद्दी का निर्यात होता है और वही उसका नियंत्रण करता है। विद्यमान नीति के अनुसार केवल उन्हीं किस्मों का उतने ही परिणाम में निर्यात करने की अनुमति है जो हमारी आवश्यकता पूरी होने के बाद बच रहती है। अतः निर्यातों में मामली गिरावट घरेलू मांग के बढ़ जाने के कारण है।

Trade Representatives in Foreign Countries

4289. SHRI K. ANIRUDHAN: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state the number of countries in which our representatives/counsellors/High Commissioners act on behalf of the State Trading Corporation to strengthen our trade relations with those countries?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): The Indian Trade Representatives/Counsellors/High Commissioners do not act on behalf of the State Trading Corporation in any foreign country. They, however, extend necessary assistance to the State Trading Corporation for promotion of trade with the foreign countries in their respective jurisdiction.

M. Ps. Goodwill Missions to Foreign Countries

4290. SHRI D. N. PATODIA:
SHRI YASHPAL SINGH:
SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have taken a decision to send delegations of Members of Parliament during the forthcoming session period on goodwill mission to some foreign countries;

(b) if so, the names of countries to which these delegations are likely to be sent; and

(c) the composition of these delegations?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) Government is proposing to send six delegations each of about seven Members of Parliament.

(b) The delegations are likely to be sent to the following groups of countries:

- (1) Mauritius - Madagascar - Zambia - Malawi - Tanzania.
- (2) Burma - Thailand - Malaysia - Singapore - Indonesia-Ceylon.
- (3) Saudi Arabia - Syria - Lebanon - Iraq - Turkey.
- (4) UAR - Libya - Tunisia - Algeria - Cyprus.
- (5) Uganda - Kenya - Ethiopia - Somalia - Sudan.
- (6) Afghanistan - Iran - Kuwait - South Yemen - Bahrain.

(c) As in the past the attempt will be to make the delegations as representative as possible.

Fall in Demand for Jute Carpet Backing U.S.A. Market

4291. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has recently been a fall in the demand for jute carpet-backing in the U.S. market;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) its impact on production, exports and profitability of the Indian jute industry;

(d) the number of workers likely to be laid-off or retrenched due to closure of shifts; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken to meet the crisis?