

including Coir Goods and Handicrafts, handlooms, processed foods, tea coffee, Manufactured Tobacco, minerals and Ores and Semi Finished goods etc.

बिहार काटन मिल्स लिमिटेड, पटना द्वारा तकुओं में वृद्धि के लिये अनुमति की मांग

1442. श्री रामाक्षर शास्त्री : क्या बंदेशिक व्यापार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पटना जिले में फुलवारी शरीफ स्थित बिहार काटन मिल्स लिमिटेड ने सरकार से तकुओं की संख्या बढ़ाने की अनुमति मांगी है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो प्रबन्धकों द्वारा तकुओं की संख्या में कितनी वृद्धि का प्रस्ताव है ; और

(ग) इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

बंदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री राम सेवक) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) . प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

Shortage of Wool

1443. SHRIMATI ILA PALCHOU-DHURY : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that due to restrictions have been placed on import of wool, there is acute shortage of wool for the manufacture of warm clothing in India;

(b) the annual requirements of wool and supply available; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to meet the shortage ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) and (b). The woollen Industry consists of the woollen,

worsted and shoddy sectors. The woollen sector utilises indigenous raw wool and there is no shortage of such wool. The worsted and the shoddy sectors are mainly dependent on imported wool. Supply of imported wool to these sectors is substantially below the installed capacity owing to limitations of foreign exchange.

(c) (i) Steps have been, and are being taken to increase the production and improve the quality of raw wool in the country.

(ii) Additional allocations of imported raw wool are being granted to units in the woollen industry which export more than 10% of their production.

(iii) The rates for replenishment entitlements under the Policy for Registered Exporters have been enhanced.

Taking over of closed Textile Mills

1444. SHRI SATYANARAIN SINGH: SHRI UMANATH : SHRI K. ANIRUDHAN : SHRI P. RAMAMURTI :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of closed units taken over after the formation of Textile Corporations in various States ;

(b) the amount of assistance given by the Corporation to various State Corporations ; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take for taking over other closed units ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) Eight.

(b) The position of loans sanctioned/ released by the National Textile Corporation