

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| 3. Japan | | 16 | 1 | 17 |
| 4. West Germany | | 13 | 5 | 18 |
| 5. Pakistan | | 9 | — | 9 |
| 6. Switzerland | | 10 | 12 | 22 |
| 7. France | | 7 | — | 7 |
| 8. Canada | | 7 | 2 | 9 |
| 6. Hongkong | | 5 | — | 5 |
| 10. Italy | | 6 | 3 | 9 |
| 11. Sweden | | 6 | 9 | 15 |
| 12. Netherland | | 4 | — | 4 |
| 13. Australia | | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| 14. Belgium | | 3 | — | 3 |
| 15. Holland | | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 16. New Zealand | | 3 | — | 3 |
| 17. Panama | | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 18. Yugoslavia | | 3 | — | 3 |
| 19. Bahama Island | | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 20. Thailand | | 2 | — | 2 |
| 21. Ceylon | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 22. Kenya | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 23. Hungary | | — | 1 | 1 |
| 24. Kuwait | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 25. Lebanon | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 26. Liberia | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 27. Luxembourg | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 28. Malaysia | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 29. Phillippines | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 30. Singapore | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 31. Tanzania | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 32. Uganda | | 1 | — | 1 |
| 33. Denmark | | — | 1 | 1 |
| Total : | | 544 | 222 | 766 |

Lack of Co-Ordination Between H. M. T. Authorities and Ancillary Units

4872: SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: Will the MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ancillary units working under H. M. T. Bangalore are on the verge of stopping due to lack of co-ordination between the H. M. T. authorities and Ancillary units;

(b) the steps Government propose to take to improve the conditions of these units; and

(c) whether any Committee is proposed to be constituted to know the working conditions of these units and, if so, when?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE (SHRI M. R. KRISHNA) (a) : No, Sir.

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

Foreign Visits By Managing Director of H. M. T.

4873: SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign visits undertaken by the Managing Director of Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd. during the last two years and the amount of foreign exchange spent;

(b) the useful work that has been undertaken by such visits; and

(c) whether Government propose to take action to maintain austerity measures in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE (SHRI M. R. KRISHNA): (a) Three during the last two years. Foreign exchange worth Rs. 20.132.

(b) The visits of Managing Director, Hindustan Machine Tools, Bangalore abroad during the last two years namely 1968-69 and 1969-70 were primarily for negotiating sales agency agreements with parties in the foreign countries for promoting exports of the Company's products and for negotiating collaboration agreement to take up manufacture of sophisticated items of equipment. He had finalised sales agency and collaboration agreements with parties in U. S. A., Canada, U. K., West Germany, France and Switzerland. As the Chief Indian

delegate nominated by Government, he visited Hongkong and Tokyo and participated in the Asian Productivity Symposium and took the opportunity to visit the neighbouring countries to explore export market prospects for the Company's products.

(c) The visits abroad of the Managing Director are undertaken only when they are inescapable and the need for maintaining austerity is always kept in view.

Loss to H. M. T. Due to Purchase of Lead and Copper at Higher Rates

4874. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd., Bangalore has been purchasing Lead and Copper at a higher rate than the official market rates available;

(b) if so, the reasons why such rates have been paid and the quantum of materials purchased during the last two years;

(c) whether this has been resulting in net loss of several lakhs of rupees, to the H. M. T.; and

(d) whether Government propose to institute an enquiry in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE (SHRI M. R. KRISHNA): (a) and (b). During the last two years Hindustan Machine Tools has purchased 19 tons of Copper from available sources on the lowest tender basis as the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation of India could not meet their requirements. Hindustan Machine Tools did not purchase any Lead during the last two years.

(c) No, Sir,

(d) Does not arise.

H. M. T. Sales Officers and Agencies Functioning Abroad

4875. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Sales Officers and agencies working abroad on behalf of the Hindustan Machine Tools, Bangalore;

(b) the amount of business turned out every year by these agencies and Sales Officers and payments made to them for the same;

(c) whether there is any duplication of agencies working abroad; and

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE (SHRI M. R. KRISHNA): (a) Eight Sales Officers; and Twelve Agents.

(b) Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Expenditure Incurred on R. B. Lal Committee on Compensation Claims

4876. SHRI P. N. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the total expenditure incurred by the Railways on the R. B. Lal Committee on Compensation Claims?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NANDA) Rs. 84,540.18.

Mechanical Signal Maintainers Grade I on Northern Railway

4877. SHRI RAJ DEO SINGH: Will THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Grade I Mechanical Signal Maintainers required in each