

(b) if so, the details of the decision arrived at and the date on which it shall come into force;

(c) the extent to which foreign exchange will be saved thereby;

(d) the mode of payment of royalty to the foreign collaborators; and

(e) the extent to which such a decision will have an adverse effect on investment by foreign collaborators in India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) to (e) : No such policy decision has been taken.

Proposal to open steel stockyard at Jodhpur

*366. SHRI VIRDHI CHANDER JAIN : Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to open a steel stockyard at Jodhpur;

(b) if so, to whom this agency will be given;

(c) Government's policy in this regard;

(d) whether Government have received any memorandum from the Jodhpur Industries Association, Chamber of Commerce, or other institutions for allotment of this agency; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANTSATHE) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The decision to open a stockyard is left to producers who decide on the course of action on commercial considerations and needs of the consumers,

(d) and (e) Yes, Sir. They have asked for a steel stockyard of SAIL at Jodhpur. This has been examined. The demand study conducted by SAIL did not find opening of a stockyard economically viable.

Production cost and selling price of controlled cloth, Janata Cloth and Handloom

3573. SHRI SYED MASUDAL HOSSAIN : Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) the production cost per metre of controlled cloth and janata cloth in mills as well as in the handloom; and

(b) the selling price per metre of controlled and jantaa cloth ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRASHEKHAR SINGH) :

(a) Exact cost of production of Janata Cloth and Controlled cloth varies from State to State as well as from time to time as it depends upon cost of raw material and other inputs. The Janata cloth sorts differ from state to state as well.

(b) The selling prices of Janata dhoties and sarees vary between Rs. 1.62 per sq. metre and 4.78 per sq. metre. The selling prices of controlled dhoties and sarees varies between Rs. 2.12 per sq metre and Rs. 4.99 per sq. metre. A statement showing the consumer prices per sq. metre of Janata Cloth and Controlled cloth is given below.