Shepe-cum-flats in Kidwai Nagar Delhi

1489. Shri Muhammed Elias: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that shopscum-flats have been constructed and completed in Kidwai Nagar, Delhi;

(b) if so, number of shops and flats constructed;

(c) the number of them alloited;

(d) if not, the stall holders of which road berm will be allotted these shops and flats in Kidwai Nagar;

(e) the authority responsible for allotting these slops and flats; and

(f) when will these shops and flats be allotted?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) Yes.

(b) 98 shops and 16 flats.

(c) None so far; steps are being taken to allot them.

(d) to (f). No decision has yet been taken.

Export of Onions

1490. Shri Jadhav: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state what quota was allotted to the Private Merchants and the Co-operative Societies and allied bodies to export onions in the year 1958-59 and 1959-60 so far?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Satish Chandra):

			Trade	Go- operative Societies
1958-59			Tons 60,150	Licensed
1959-60	•	•	74,000	freely. Licensed freely.

Indianisation of Foreign Firms

1491. { Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Shri Basumatari:

Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 11 on the 3rd August, 1959 and state:

(a) whether the discussions with the representatives of foreign firms for Indianisation of those firms and plantations has been concluded; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). Further discussions with the Associated Chambers of Commerce have taken place. Certain proposals and views have been put forward and some further data have also been supplied. These are under consideration.

12.15 hrs.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

TREATMENT OF INDIAN POLICE PATROL PARTY CAPTURED BY CHINESE TROOPS

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): I had promised to lay on the Table certain papers in connection with the treatment of Indian prisoners by the Chinese authorities in Ladakh.

I beg to lay on the Table a copy of each of the following papers exchanged between the Governments of India and China regarding the treatment of the Indian police patrol party captured by the Chinese troops at Chang Chenmo Valley on the 21st October, 1959:

- (1) Unofficial memorandum of the Chinese Government, 14th November, 1959.
- (2) Note of the Indian Government, 24th November, 1959.
- (3) Note of the Chinese Government, 28th November, 1959.

- [Shri Jawaharlal Nehru.]
 - (4) Note of the Indian Government, 13th December, 1959 along with Statement of Shri Karam Singh. (Placed in Library, See No. LT-1791/59.)

Shri Vajpayee (Balrampur): May I point out that the papers now laid on the Table by the hon. Prime Minister do not include the Chinese reply to his letter of the 16th November, 1959? A month has passed. How long are we going to wait for their reply?

Shri Jawaharial Nehru: We are dealing with the question of the treatment of Indian prisoners. These are the only papers in relation to that that I had promised to place, and I have placed them. As for the reply, I cannot place a reply on the Table of the House when I have not received it.

DISCUSSION ON STATE TRADING CORPORATION REPORT

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): On behalf of Shri Kanungo, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of statement correcting the information given on the 11th September, 1959, in reply to the point raised by Shri V. P. Nayar during the discussion on the Report of the State Trading Corporation of India Limited regarding the association of the Directors of the Corporation with private firms. [See Appendix III, Annexure No. 37].

ANNUAL REPORT OF HINDUSTAN ANTIBIOTICS LIMITED

Shri Manubhai Shah: I beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (1) of Section 639 of the Companies Act, 1956, a copy of the Annual Report of the Hindustan Antibiotics Limited for the year 1958-59 along with the Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon. [Placed in Library, See No. LT-1793/59.]

12.17 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

MINORITY COMMUNITY IN EAST PAKISTAN

Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri (Nabadwip): Under Rule 197, I beg to call the attention of the Prime Minister to the following matter of urgent public importance and I request that he may make a statement thereon:

> "The restrictions reported to have been imposed by the Government of East Pakistan on members of minority community in the matter of renewal of their passports."

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): Government of India have, during the last few months, seen reports in the Press that no fresh passports were being issued to the minority community in East Pakistan, that the passports presented for renewal were being seized and that the applicants for India-Pakistan passports were being asked to pay a security deposit of Rs. 100.

From enquiries, it has been ascertained that the Government of East Pakistan have:

- (i) undertaken a rigorous check of the antecedents of passport holders, particularly those belonging to the minority community, as a part of the drive against smuggling and large numbers of passports are held up with the district authorities pending the conclusion of necessary enquiries;
- (ii) directed that those applying for new India-Pakistan passports should deposit Rs. 100 before issue of the passport and those who already hold a passport should deposit Rs. 100 before undertaking travel to India; and