financial arrangements for the placing of orders for capital goods and also for the export of metallurgical and engineering products, etc.

Pay Strike by Central Government Employees

•1435. Shri P. Gopalan: Shri C. K. Chakrapani: Shri K. Anirudhan: Shri K. M. Abraham: Shri P. P. Esthose: Shri Jyotirmoy Basu: Shri E. K. Nayanar: Shri K. Ramani: Shri K. Ramani: Shri K. M. Madhuka^r: Shri Ramavatar Shastri:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government employees observed pay strike on the 1st July, 1967, all over the country;

(b) the total number of employees participating in the pay-strike;

(c) the causes thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to meet the demand of the employees?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri K. C. Pant): (a) and (c). Some employees did not receive their pay on the pay day of this month in protest against the recommendations of the D.A. Commission.

(b) The excat number of such employees is not readily ascertainable.

(d) The Report of the D.A. Commission is under consideration of Government.

Foreign Investment

*1436. Shri M. L. Sondhl: Shri T. P. Shah: Shri Brij Bhushan Lal:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been significant repatriation of capital in some of the industries in which the foreign investment has been made and which earned substantial foreign exchange; and

(b) whether steps are being taken to fill the gap by encouraging Indian entrepreneurs?

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance (Shei Morarji Desai): (a) and (b). A statement of outstanding foreign investments at the end of the years 1961 to 1966 and the repatriation of foreign capital during those years, is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1223/67].

It will be seen from the above statement that while the foreign investment has been continuously showing an upward trend the repatriation of capital during these years has been insignificant.

Floods in Assam

*1437. Shri Hem Barua: Shri Atam Das: Shri X. S. Kushwah: Shri Raghuvir Shastri: Shri Shiv Kumar Shastri: Shri Bam Avtar Sharma: Dr. Surya Prakash Puri;

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

 (a) the dimensions of present floods sweeping over Assam at a menacing rate;

(b) the amount spent by the State Government in relief measures in the years 1964-65, 1965-66 and proposed to be spent during the current year and the share of the Central Government thereto; and

(c) the other relief méasures taken by Government so far?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1224/ 67].