प्रधान संत्री, झखु झक्ति सम्त्री तथा योखना मन्त्री (श्रीमती इन्द्रा गौंधी) : (क) ग्रौर (ख). चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना तैयार करने में योजना ग्रायोग ने इस प्रकार के व्यापक क्रमिक विचार किये जिससे समाज के सभी वर्गों के नेताग्रों से सलाह तथा सहयोग प्राप्त हो सके । योजना के कार्यान्वियन के दौरान इस प्रकार के परामर्श तथा विचार विमर्श जारी रखने का प्रस्ताव है ।

(ग) नया ग्रामेरिकी प्रशासन विदेशी सहायता के सम्बन्ध में किस प्रकार की नीतियों का मनुसरए करता है, सरकार इस बारे में वितर्क नहीं करना चाहती। फिर भी योजना की वित्त-ब्यवस्था के लिये उपलब्ध होने वाले बाहरी तथा ग्रांतरिक साधनों के वास्तविक मूल्यांकन पर चौथी पंचवर्षीय योचना ग्राधारित है।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Art Silk Weaving Industry

*445. SHRI V. NARASIMHA RAO ; SHRI P. N. SOLANKI : SHRI R. V. NAIK : SHRI C. C. DESAI :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased te state :

(a) whether the Joint Textile Commissioner had a meeting with the representatives of Indian art silk weaving industry in Bombay :

(b) if so, whether most of the industrialists who attended the meeting went back completely dissatisfied;

(c) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report which appeared in the "Economic Times" of the 8th January, 1969 in this regard; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Some representatives of weavers appeared dissatisfied because their demand for reduction of prices of rayon yarn by Rs. 400 per kg was not agreed to.

(c) and (d). In the report which appeared in the "Economic Times", the weavers had demanded price and distribution control on royon yarn. Remedial measures, if any, called for, can be considered by Government only after the receipt of the interim report of the Tariff Commission which is expected to be received by the end of March, 1969.

Fxport Consortium of Machine Tools Manufacturers

*446. SHRI HIMATSINGKA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Machine Tools Manufacturers Association has chalked out a plan to form an export consortium of machine tools manufacturers;

(b) if so, the precise position and functions of the proposed consortium and its role;

(c) the assistance proposed to be given by Government in the promotion of the cause of machine tools exports through this consortium; and

(d) the steps taken so far in the direction of formation of such a consortium?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK): (a) and (b). The Indian Machine Tools Manufacturers Association have indicated that they propose to set up a consortium of machine tool manufacturers. It is understood that this proposal has not yet been finalised and as such it is not possible to define the precise functions and objectives of the proposed consortium.

(c) There are no special or preferential measures of assistance for the consortium beyond the normal assistance available to exporters.

(d) Assistance from Government in the formation of the consortium has not been sought by the Indian Machine Tools Manufacturers Association.