

the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the quota of importing raw wool on woollen spindles has been suspended ; if so, since when ;

(b) the reasons for debarring woollen spindles from getting this quota when they were getting it from the time O.G.L. was removed ;

(c) whether Government are aware that like worsted spindle, woollen spindle also needs merino wool to produce particular types of cloth ; and

(d) if so, whether Government will revert back to its original procedure of allocating imported wool to woollen spindles also ?

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) (a) Yes, Sir. Since October, 1967.

(b) Since woollen spindles can use indigenous raw wool no imported wool is being allotted to these spindles in the interest of import substitution.

(c) Merino wool can be used on woollen spindles, but such use is not considered essential in view of the need to ensure best possible utilisation of the limited availability of foreign exchange for import of wool.

(d) It is proposed to continue the existing policy.

#### Indigenous Manufacture of Radio Sets

\*378. SHRI S.B. PATIL :  
SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA ;  
SHRI ARJUN SINGH  
BHADORIA ;

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the names, along with licensed and installed capacities of undertakings in the organised and small-scale sectors, licensed to manufacture radio sets ;

(b) the total production separately for organised and small-scale sectors, of radio sets during the years 1967, 1968 and month-wise from January to May, 1969 ;

(c) the further break-up of these production figures for 1967, 1968 and January-May, 1969 into (i) low-priced transistor sets, (ii) other than low-priced transistor sets, (iii) low-priced valve sets, (iv) battery operated other than low-priced valve sets, and (v) mains-operated other than low-priced valve sets ; and

(d) Government's estimate of likely demand for each of the 5 different types of radio sets during the Fourth Plan period ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) : (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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#### Consumption of Heavy Water in India

\*379. SHRI S.K. TAPURIAH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the total yearly consumption of heavy water in the country ; and

(b) the details thereof ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) and (b) Heavy Water is currently being used in the country in research reactors and for other research purposes. Its annual consumption is of the order of 200-250 Kgs.

#### Supply of Iron Ore to Pakistan

\*380. SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any request has been received from the Government of Pakistan for the supply of Indian iron ore for the proposed Karachi Steel Mill being set up with Soviet assistance ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) whether Government have agreed to the request made by the Government of Pakistan ?