

June, 1956. It is, therefore, too early to indicate its effect, if any, on India's exports to the countries in the Dollar area.

Rehabilitation Schemes in Tripura

*1437. **Shri Dasaratha Deb:** Will the Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the paddy-husking, ghani and bidi schemes introduced by the Rehabilitation Department in Tripura have not been successful;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action taken by Government in the matter?

The Deputy Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri P. S. Naskar): (a) No.

(b) and (c). Enquiries made from the Tripura Administration show that the allegation that the paddy husking, ghani and bidi schemes have proved a failure is not correct. The working of the paddy husking and ghani schemes is satisfactory. As regards the bidi scheme, while some production units have shown profit, some have incurred a loss. The Tripura Administration is taking steps to improve the working of this scheme.

Industrial Schemes

*1438. **Sardar Iqbal Singh:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has approved only those industrial schemes wherein Capital Goods can be imported with foreign help;

(b) whether this has adversely affected the industrial development in the country; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken in this regard?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Satish Chandra) (a) to (c). A statement is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 20].

Coir Industry

*1439. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to mechanise the coir industry in India; and

(b) if so, when?

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

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Popularity of Indian Films

*1441. **Shri Chandak:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the popularity of Indian films in foreign countries is increasing or decreasing;

(b) whether any Indian films have been commercially exhibited in dollar countries during the last two years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Kanungo): (a) The popularity of Indian films in foreign countries appears to be on the increase.

(b) and (c). Indian films worth Rs. 1,25,000/- and Rs. 20,000/- were exported to the dollar countries during 1957 and January-June 1958 respectively.

Export of Groundnut Oil Cakes

*1451. { Shri Goray:
Shri Jadhav:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of groundnut oil-cakes exported from India from the year 1955-56 onward with a break-up of each year; and

(b) the extent of increase in the internal prices of groundnut oil-cakes