

owing to an error in compilation of the import figure from Japan this was wrongly given as 48.6 million yards in answer to Question No. 1216 on 26th June, 1952.

IRON AND STEEL WORKS

*1908. **Shri Ganpati Ram:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) how many iron and steel works have been established in different parts of 'A', 'B', and 'C' States during 1949 to 1952;

(b) total production of different varieties viz. pig iron, castings, steel castings, rods and strips, cement and ferro-silicon, and the quantity produced Statewise; and

(c) how many electric pig iron furnaces and allied works have been completed during 1949-52 with their names and locations?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix X, annexure No. 23.]

(c) The Mysore Iron and Steel Works, Bhadravati, completed the installation of one Electric Steel Furnace during the period in question.

MATCH FACTORIES

*1909. **Shri Ganpati Ram:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) how many match factories are working in India;

(b) the name and location of each, Statewise;

(c) total production per year and especially in 1950-51;

(d) how much foreign capital is still invested in such match factories in India and on what terms; and

(e) which of the foreign countries have invested money?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) About 185.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IX, annexure No. 24.]

(c) The average annual production is 340,000 cases of 50 gross boxes of 65 sticks each. Production in 1950-51 was 340,660 cases of 50 gross boxes of 60 sticks each.

(d) About Rs. 1.25 crores. Information in regard to terms of investment is not readily available.

(e) Sweden.

STEEL REQUIREMENTS

*1510. **Shri Bansal:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the total requirements of steel in the country variety-wise; and

(b) the short fall in the total requirements which is met from imports from foreign countries?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IX, annexure No. 25.]

EXPORTS TO JAPAN

*1911. **Shri B. N. Roy:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether any commodity was exported to Japan in 1951-52;

(b) if so, its value; and

(c) whether there is any demand in Japan for some manufactured goods from India?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir; a number of commodities were exported to Japan during the year 1951-52. A statement showing the quantity and value of India's exports to Japan during that year is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IX, annexure No. 26.]

(c) Yes, Sir.

PUBLICATION DIVISION

*1912. **Shri C. N. P. Sinha:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the expenses incurred in the Publication Division of the Ministry for (i) staff and (ii) publications in 1949, 1950, 1951 and 1952; and

(b) how much of it is spent on Hindi publications?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) and (b). As stated in reply to Starred Question No. 40 on 8th February, 1952, accounts are maintained according to financial year and not calendar year. A statement giving the required information for the financial years 1949-50,