

employment. The State Government of Bihar are also trying to settle the landless labourers in Gairmazrua Khas lands, as well as the Bhoodan Yagna lands.

(c) No.

(d) Does not arise.

Small Industries Service Institute

3160. Dr. Ranen Sen: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) in how many cases Small Industries Service Institutes have secured information themselves about the details of machinery and its workings for private applicants;

(b) how many applications the National Small Industries Corporation have received for procurement of machinery etc. from abroad during 1st April, 1961 to 31st March, 1962;

(c) what is the minimum and maximum time taken between the date of receiving the application by the State Directors of Industries and the actual placement of the order for the machinery; and

(d) how much does the National Small Industries Corporation charge on the actual cost of the machinery and under what heads?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 35].

Electric Fans

3161. { Shri Bishanchander Seth:
 { Shri Gauri Shanker:
 { Shri Daljit Singh:

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

(a) the foreign exchange earned by the export of Indian electric fans during the last five years;

(b) the measures Government are taking to increase production during the Third Five Year Plan;

(c) whether it is a fact that preference is given to export rather than home consumption; and

(d) if so, whether Government is considering to stop its exports to meet the home demand?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Foreign exchange earned from exports of electric fans of all types during the last five years is as follows:

	Value in lakhs of Rs.
1957-58	19.99
1958-59	25.16
1959-60	59.56
1960-61	81.27
1961-62	66.80

(b) The production of electric fans has more than doubled during the last few years, having increased from 5.25 lakh fans in 1957 to 10.77 lakh fans in 1961. Estimated production of fans at the end of the Third Plan is 25 lakh numbers.

(c) and (d). Exports of Electric fans account for approximately 10 per cent of the indigenous production. The requirement of the domestic market is fully met; and there is no evidence of any shortage of fans in the country. Prices of fans have remained more or less stable; and discounts are available even on well-known brands of fans. In the circumstances there is no intention to put any restrictions on the export of fans; on the contrary efforts are being made to step them up.

Construction of Road and Buildings in NEFA

3162. Shri Rishang Keishing: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that NEFA Administration has been able to elimi-