

(ख) उन में से कितने झाकाशवाणी के साहित्यिक विभाग से सम्बद्ध हैं; और

(ग) क्या साहित्यिक कार्यक्रमों के प्रोड्यूसरों को झाकाशवाणी द्वारा अपने विषय का कोई प्रशिक्षण दिया जाता है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (डा० केलकर) : (क) ६ प्रोड्यूसर तथा १२ सहायक प्रोड्यूसर

(ख) ३ प्रोड्यूसर तथा ६ सहायक प्रोड्यूसर ।

(ग) जी, हाँ । झाकाशवाणी का स्टाफ ट्रेनिंग स्कूल उनके लिये नियमित रूप से गोष्ठियों का प्रबन्ध करता है ।

Brassware Industry

2844. Shri Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering the question of drawing up model rules for setting up voluntary organisations to promote the brassware industry and trade;

(b) what is the Foreign Exchange earned during 1957-58 from the exports of brass and copper wares separately; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to help the industry in securing raw materials at reasonable price?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Foreign Exchange earned during 1957-58 from the exports brass and copper wares.

The total amount of foreign exchange earned by the exports of "Brass and Bronzeware as artware" during 1957-58 was Rs. 96 lacs.

The exports of copper ware are not shown separately in the trade classification of the country and as such the export figures of the commodity are not available.

(c) Steps to help the industry in securing raw materials.

The main basic raw materials for the brassware and copperware industry are Copper and Zinc.

The import of these metals was taken off the O.G.L. w.e.f. 1-7-1967 due to foreign exchange difficulties. This was followed by complaints from consuming industries that the importers were charging high prices for copper.

To meet the situation the Government of India brought in statutory control under the Essential Commodities Act 1955 and the Non-Ferrous Metals Control Order 1958 was issued on 2-4-1958. Under this Order, the Controller acquires all imported copper for equitable distribution among actual users. The distribution among small scale industries is done having regard to their 1957 consumption. In the case of scheduled industries, distribution of copper is being effected on the basis of 1956 level of production.

Annual Report of the Chief Inspector of Mines

2845. Shri S. C. Samanta: Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

(a) when the annual report of the Chief Inspector of Mines of India for 1956 is going to be published;

(b) the steps taken to bring out the annual report more expeditiously;

(c) how many copies of each annual report were published since 1940 onwards; and

(d) the price fixed each year during the above period?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) The Annual Report of the Chief Inspector of Mines for 1956 is under print and is expected to be published shortly.

(b) The main causes of the delay in publication are late receipt of