

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(b) During 1959-60 and 1960-61 (upto June 30, 1960) 8,479 and 154 persons were trained in various courses, respectively.

(c) Ambar Charkhas worth Rs. 2.32 lakhs and Rs. 0.12 lakhs were distributed during 1959-60 and 1960-61 (upto 30th June 1960), respectively.

A.I.R. Station at Raipur

710. Shri Birendra Bahadur Singhji: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether requests have been received from the people of Raipur in Madhya Pradesh for opening an All India Radio Station at Raipur;

(b) if so, what action is the Ministry proposing to take to provide a Radio Station in that aboriginal area of Madhya Pradesh; and

(c) whether an All India Radio Station is proposed to be built at Raipur in the Third Five Year Plan?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) to (c). Requests for the establishment of a Station at Raipur have been received and the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting are considering the setting up of medium wave transmitters at various places in the country in order to provide a better coverage of broadcasting. The suitability of Raipur for the location of a transmitter is being examined while considering the scheme of coverage for the Third Five Year Plan.

Indo-China

711. Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any communication from the Foreign Minister of North Viet-Nam

regarding the situation in Indo-China; and

(b) if so, whether as Chairman of the International Commission on Indo-China, India has taken any action in the matter?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) and (b). The Prime Minister received several letters from Mr. Pham Van Dong, Prime Minister of North Vietnam, during the course of this year. In reply it was explained to the D.R.V.N. Prime Minister that these complaints have been considered and dealt with by the International Commission for Supervision and Control in Viet-nam, in accordance with the provisions of the Geneva Agreement.

Foundry Forge and Heavy Machine Building Plants

712. Shri Achar: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in setting up the Foundry Forge and Heavy Machine Building Plants at Hatia and the Coal Mining Machinery Plant at Durgapur;

(b) the total amount of capital required for these projects; and

(c) the time required for the completion of these projects?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 10].

Rauwolfia Serpentina

**713. { Shri A. K. Gopalan:
Shri Kunhan:**

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

(a) the quantity and value of exports of Rauwolfia Serpentina (Sarpagandhi) during each of the years 1956, 1957, 1958, and 1959; and