

particular product manufactured in the small scale sector

- (v) Efforts are also made to eliminate market problems by improving technology

The information regarding the Khadi and Village industries is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House

(b) The development programme of backward areas being in the formative stage, no specific assessment of the achievement has so far been made

Ammunition for self Defence and Sports Purposes

6457 SHRI S N MISRA Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether any effort has been made to provide ammunition for self defence and sports purposes and for such sort of arms for which imported cartridges are not available, and

(b) if so, the salient features thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F H MOHSIN) (a) and (b) Yes Sir The Government of India are manufacturing the following types of ammunition in their Ordnance Factories, for the use of civilian licenses —

- (i) Cartridges SA 12 bore 2½"
- (ii) Cartridges RF 22" Long Bore
- (iii) Cartridges SA 8MM/ 315"
- (iv) Ammunition for 32' Revolvers
- (v) Ammunition for 38" Revolvers

The supply of 12 bore LG/SG ammunition has been stopped for the use of civilian licensees at present, in response to the recommendation of the Wild Life Board.

Certain established importers are also authorised to import limited quantities of ammunition for such arms for which

imported cartridges are not available.

In addition, the National Rifle Association of India imports sometimes Special ammunition for target shooting and issues this ammunition to its members. The ammunition generally imported by the National Rifle Association of India is of the following type —

12 Bore Shot Gun

22 Pistol/Rifle

23 Pistol

25 Pistol

36 Pistol

3006 Rifle

Personal Staff of Ministers

6458 SHRI S N MISRA Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state

(a) the details of personal staff provided to the Cabinet Ministers, State Ministers and Deputy Ministers,

(b) the monthly amount spent on the staff of each of the three classes of Ministers, and

(c) whether any examination has been made about economising on the Personal staff of the various Ministers and if so, the findings of such examination ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House

Setting up of Tractor Workshops in States

6459 SHRI P GANGA DEB Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that due to shortage of Tractor Workshops in each Block areas in the country especially in

Orissa, people are put to great difficulties for repairs of their tractors ,

(b) whether Government are considering any proposal to arrange for tractor Workshops in various States under Government supervision and

(c) if so, when it is likely to be given effect to ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD)

(a) Yes, Sir

(b) and (c) Agro Industries Corporations have been set up in seventeen States and one of the primary objectives of these Corporations is to provide proper repair facilities for agricultural machinery in all blocks where adequate number of tractors and other equipments operate. Steps are also in hand to supplement the existing repairs facilities and also to open new service centres at additional places in different States depending upon the requirements of the actual users of farm machinery. Besides, Government is setting up Machinery Hiring Centre in different States through State Agro Industries Corporation to provide after sale services, repairs facilities, sale of spare parts and agricultural machinery on hire for agricultural operations to the farmers. A number of machine hiring centres have already been set up by the different State Agro Industries Corporations.

As far as the State of Orissa is concerned nine service centres have already been set up by State Agro Industries Corporation.

Supply of Raw Materials to Engineering Industry

6460 SHRI RAJDEO SINGH Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) whether Government have decided to meet in full the raw material requirements of the Engineering Industry for export production either from indigenous sources or by import ;

(b) if so, the response of the industry

to tune up the production , and

(c) whether Government have taken a similar decision regarding the consumer goods in industry ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD)

(a) to (c) In so far as engineering Industries are concerned, the Government have recently approved a scheme whereby the full requirements of imported steel for approved export contracts would be given to the fabricators of Engineering goods on an assessment of the precise requirements of steel for the production of goods meant for export. The scheme envisages that Mys Hindustan Steel Ltd would import the required steel to the extent not available from the indigenous sources and supply the same to the Engineering goods exporters.

Regarding raw materials required for the consumer goods industries, the policy is laid down in the Import Policy 1972-73. Depending on the nature of the industry, i.e. whether the industry falls within the category of 59 priority Industries or otherwise, import facilities are granted either on replenishment basis or on the basis of Actual Users entitlement respectively. Industrial units falling in the category of Non Priority Industries which export more than 10% of their output are also given priority treatment in the matter of Import of raw materials.

Punjab Frontiersmen Indulging in smuggling and Spying Activities

(461) SHRI RAJDEO SINGH
SHRI HUKAM CHAND
KA HWAI

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether a disclosure that Punjab frontiersmen indulging in spying and smuggling activities had come to Government's notice ,

(b) whether they were indulging with impunity for the past many years because of vast financial resources at their disposal and influential persons at their back , and