

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस पर अनुमानतः कितना घन व्यय होगा ; और

(ग) इसके सम्बन्ध में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

इस्यार्त, खान तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग उपमंत्रि (श्री प्र० च० सेठी): (क) नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Lloyd Tested Plates

2419. { Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri S. K. Das:
Shri P. C. Barman:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) how much Lloyd Tested Plates are now imported and how much indigenously manufactured;

(b) the foreign exchange involved;

(c) whether by starting ship-breaking yards such foreign exchange can be saved; and

(d) if so, whether any survey can be conducted?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) As separate figures of import of Lloyd Tested Plates are not recorded, it is not possible to indicate the exact quantity imported. However, it is estimated that about 20,000 tons of Lloyd Tested Plates were imported in 1963-64.

The indigenous production of these plates was about 13,500 tons.

(b) Approximately Rs. 1 crore.

(c) Plates recovered from condemned ships cannot be utilised again for ship building, if they are to adhere to the rigid specification prescribed under the Lloyds test. Such plates can only be used as scrap.

(d) Does not arise.

Stainless Steel for Punjab

2420. Shri Daljit Singh: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of stainless steel allotted to Punjab during 1963-64; and

(b) the quantity of stainless steel proposed to be allotted during 1964-65 to that State?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) and (b). No allotment of Stainless Steel Sheets was made to any State including the Punjab during 1963-64. During the current year, it is proposed to make an allotment of some quantity (approximately 180 tonnes) to Punjab along with other States from the sheets which are being imported against barter deals.

Khadi and Village Industries Board, Punjab.

2421. Shri Daljit Singh: Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Khadi and Village Industries Board, Punjab have forwarded any scheme for the development of village industries in the State during 1964-65;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the decision taken thereon?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Schemes for the development of Khadi and Village industries in various States are discussed between the representatives of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission and the State Boards along with budget proposals. A statement showing tentative allocation to the Punjab Khadi and Village Industries Board for the purpose during 1964-65 is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-2774/64].