

के अन्तर्गत जारी किए गये लाइसेंसों को रद्द अथवा निलम्बित करने के लिए पदमपुर की मैसर्स उमाशंकर राइस मिल के मालिकों को कारण बताओ नोटिस जारी किये गये हैं।

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Expenditure incurred by Air India on its Offices in Canada, San Francisco and Fort of Spain

797. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the staff employed by Air India at its offices in Canada, San Francisco and Port of Spain and the annual expenditure incurred thereon;

(b) how does it compare with other Airlines in the area; and

(c) whether Government propose to close down some of its offices abroad?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI A. P. SHARMA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

सरकारी क्षेत्र के होटलों की वार्षिक आय

798. श्री सत्यपाल मलिक : क्या पर्यटन तथा नगर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में सरकारी क्षेत्र के होटलों के (i) निर्माण (ii) रख-रखाव और (iii) कर्मचारियों की तनखाह के रूप में कुल कितनी राशि लगी हुई है ; और

(ख) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान इन होटलों से कितनी वार्षिक आय हुई है ?

पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री (श्री अनन्त प्रसाद शर्मा) : (क) और (ख) अपेक्षित सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Implications on India's Foreign Trade by Policies adopted by E.E.C. countries and the United States

799. SHRI K. CHATHUNNI MASTER: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the implications and impediments created on the foreign trade by the protectionist policy adopted by the E.E.C. countries and the U.S.A.; and

(b) what is the position of our export and import in the years 1975 to 1980, year-wise to these countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KHURSHED ALAM KHAN): (a) The protectionist policies adopted by the E.E.C. countries and the USA have been affecting the exports of India adversely. The major items affected are certain steel and engineering products, footwear, textiles and clothing in all of which India has good export potential. The USA have imposed countervailing duties on certain types of leather footwear, industrial fasteners and certain iron castings imported from India on the ground that these products are being subsidised by India. They have also initiated anti-dumping investigations on the same iron castings. Imports of industrial fasteners into USA face in addition a substantial temporary duty imposed about two years ago for safeguarding their domestic industry from injury. The EEC have also been adopting a restrictive policy on the import of textile items from India. There have been hold ups of consignments and expansion of lists of restraints together with requests for placing more and more categories under restraint. The EEC have also

placed imports of shoes under surveillance. Though surveillance has not affected exports directly so far, the threat of restraint is an inhibiting factor on the growth of our export industries. These protectionist mea-

sures have created an uncertain trading environment.

(b) Our export and import for the years 1975—80 to these countries are given below:

Value : Rs. Crores

| | E.E.C. | | U.S.A. | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Exports | Imports | Exports | Imports |
| 1975-76 | 854.20 | 1095.53 | 519.98 | 1285.22 |
| 1976-77 | 1395.30 | 1008.14 | 569.06 | 1053.01 |
| 1977-78 | 1393.84 | 1511.09 | 677.02 | 755.87 |
| 1978-79 | 1573.48 | 2073.93 | 769.04 | 759.20 |
| 1979-80 | 1682.13 | 2120.10 | 808.81 | 869.80 |

Import of Sugar from M/s. ED and F Man (Sugar) Limited, London

800. SHRI BHOLA PRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether under the terms of contract of the State Trading Corporation with M/s. ED and F Man (Sugar) Limited, London, the firm had the right to make a ten per cent change on the quantity while supplying and receiving back the sugar; and

(b) if so, what are its implications?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KHURSHED ALAM KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The plus/minus variation clause at seller's option for C" and F contracts and at buyer's option for FOB contracts, is a normal feature in the international sugar Import/Export contracts. In this case, in the import contract, M/s. ED and F Man (Sugar) Limited, London, exercised the minus 10 per cent option and supplied 180,245 MTs. of sugar against the contract for 200,000 MTs. As the edrpoEft contract is yet to be fully

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implemented, it is not possible to indicate at this stage the exact quantity the buyer will accept in exercise of his option under this contract.

Interest Rates on Bank Deposits

801. SHRIMATI AMARJIT KAUR: SHRI RAMANAND YADAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to raise interest rate on bank deposits to attract more funds for development purposes; if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether Government intend to discontinue payment of over time allowance in Banking Service; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI MAGANBHAI BAROT): (a) The interest rate structure of the commercial banks is continually under review of the Government and the Reserve Bank of India and changes