

N. S. I. CORPORATION

967. SHRI A. D. MANI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Shri C.R. Sundaram, Chairman of the National Small Industries Corporation, has relinquished his job;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to increase the capital of this corporation; and

(c) whether the Corporation is still in the 'D' category or has been upgraded?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED): (a) The tenure of C. R. Sundaram as Chairman of the National Small Industries Corporation is upto the 31st March, 1969. He has been granted leave from the 1st January to the 31st March, 1969.

(b) Yes, sir.

(c) The Corporation is in 'D' category.

FUEL COST ON RAILWAY TRACTION

968. SHRI A. D. MANI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the economy in fuel cost resulting from the use of diesel locomotives on railways as compared to the cost of running steam locomotives in the Indian Railways for the period January—June, 1968; and

(b) the additional number of passenger trains which are proposed to be run by diesel locomotives in 1969?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) Haulage of goods traffic by diesel traction has been found economical. Exact figures for the period mentioned in the question are not available.

(b) There is no proposal in hand at present to put additional passenger services on diesel traction.

H. M. T. PRODUCTION

969. SHRI M. M. DHARIA:
SHRI A. G. KULKARNI :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Hindustan Machine Tools has resumed production to the full extent after recession;

(b) the value of its stocks at the end of 1966, 1967 and 1968; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to effect economies and inculcate efficiency in its working ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED) : (a) Although there is some improvement in the inflow of orders during the current year, the recessionary trend in the machine tool industry still continues and its effect on the working of Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd. still persists to an appreciable extent, and the capacity is being presently utilised only to an extent of about 50%.

	(Rs. in lakhs)
(b) 1966	343
1967	364
1968	375

(c) The economy of the working of the company is primarily dependent on the full utilisation of its productive capacity. Each of the machine tool units of the company is working to approximately 50% of its installed capacity. Concerted efforts are being made by the company to utilise the available manufacturing capacity more fully by diversifying their product range, so that the types of sophisticated machine tools which are hitherto being imported could be manufactured by them. The company have also been concentrating on an export drive. They have opened sales-Cam-service centres at Frankfurt, New York, Los Angeles and Melbourne and also entered into agency agreements with firms in U.S.A., Sweden, West Germany, Denmark, East European Countries, Benelux Countries, U.K., Canada and Ceylon. The company are also taking steps to take up production of Heavy Duty Presses, Printing Machinery and L.P. Gas Cylinders. The National Industrial Development Corporation is also preparing a report about the feasibility and economies of manufacturing agricultural Tractors in the Pinjore unit. The company have also under consideration a proposal to set up a Central Industrial Engineering Department to carry out company-wide microeconomic studies, costing and pricing investigations, profitability analysis, inter-factory performance evaluation, etc. The need for effecting economies and better efficiency in the

working of the various units of the company is under the constant review of the Government and the Management.

SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN NEWSPRINT

970. SHRI A. D. MANI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether India would be self-sufficient in newsprint by the end of the Fourth Five Year Plan period;

(b) whether four newsprint plants are going to be set up during this period in the country; and

(c) if so, at what places?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No decision has been taken regarding the newsprint plants to be set up during the Fourth Five Year Plan.

(c) Does not arise.

TRACTOR MANUFACTURE

971. SHRI CHITTA BASU : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE & COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply to the Unstarred Question No. 15 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 18th November 1968 and state :

(a) whether Government have since received the project report for the manufacture of tractors from the National Industrial Development Corporation;

(b) if so, the broad features of the report;

(c) whether any decision has so far been taken thereon; and

(d) if so, the nature of the decision ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED) : (a) Not yet.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

विभिन्न फर्मों द्वारा टाइपराइटरों का उत्पादन

972. श्री निरंजन वर्मा : क्या औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार और समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) रेमिंगटन रेंड इन्कारपोरेशन, रेयला कारपोरेशन लिमिटेड, गोदरेज और बॉयसे लिमिटेड और जे० के० बिजनेस मशीन्स लिमिटेड ने 1967-68 के वर्ष में कुल कितने टाइपराइटर का निर्माण किया;

(ख) उन्होंने उस अवधि में अंग्रेजी तथा प्रादेशिक भाषाओं के कितने-कितने टाइपराइटर बनाए;

(ग) इन टाइपराइटरों का विक्रय मूल्य क्या है; और

(घ) क्या ये टाइपराइटर सरकार तथा लोगों को अलग-अलग दरों पर बेचे जाते हैं ?

f [MANUFACTURE OF TYPEWRITERS BY VARIOUS FIRMS

972. SHRI NIRANJAN VARMA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of typewriters manufactured by the Remington Rand Inc., Rayla Corporation Limited, God-rej and Boyce Ltd., and J. K. Business Machines Ltd., in the year 1967-68;

(b) the number of English type writers and typewriters of regional languages, respectively manufactured by them during the same period;

(c) what is the sale price of these typewriters; and

(d) whether these typewriters are sold at different rates to Government and individuals?]

औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार और समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) :

(क) और (ख) एक विवरण संलग्न है ।

(ग) और (घ) सूचना एकत्रित की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

† [] English translation.