

individual cases depending on the nature of the work.

(b) Yes, except for a few highly technical top posts. 418 engineers in all were deputed to the U.K. during the period from 1956-57 to 1964-65. Indian workers and supervisors have been attached to the foreign specialists as understudies and attempts are being made to replace the foreign specialists by Indian engineers as early as possible.]

‘डबल-डेकर’ रेल गाड़ियां

101. श्री गुरुदेव गुप्त : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि क्या “डबल-डेकर” रेल गाड़ियां चलाने की कोई योजना सरकार के विचाराधीन है ?

†[DOUBLE-DECKER TRAINS

101. SHRI GURUDEV GUPTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state whether there is any scheme under Government's consideration to introduce double-decker railway trains?]

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डॉ० राम सुभग सिंह) : इस समय “डबल डेकर” रेल गाड़ियां चलाने की कोई योजना नहीं है। इस बारे में विचार किया गया था, लेकिन कई तकनीकी कारणों से इस देश में “डबल डेकर” रेल गाड़ियां चलाना अभी तक उपयुक्त नहीं पाया गया है।

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH): There is no scheme at present for the introduction of double-decker trains. The idea has been considered, but for various technical reasons it has not been found to be suitable so far, for adoption in this country.]

†[] English translation

AERIAL SURVEY IN RAIGARH DISTRICT OF MADHYA PRADESH

102. { SHRI V. M. CHORDIA:
SHRI K. C. BAGHEL:
SHRI A. D. MANI:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state the progress made with regard to the proposal for aerial survey of about 1,000 sq. km. in the Jashpurnagar area in Raigarh district of Madhya Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI N. SANJIVA REDDY): The scheme of air-borne surveys covers this among other areas. Action for the selection of a suitable agency for carrying out such a survey is being taken in consultation with US AID.

ISSUE OF IMPORT LICENCES FOR LONG FIBRE

103. SHRI ABDUL GHANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any actual user import licences were issued for long fibre to make hair belts during the year 1965; and

(b) if so, whether before issuing such licences, Government were assured that the parties had proper machinery for using the raw material?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

IMPORT OF RUBBER PLANTING MATERIALS

104. SHRI T. V. ANANDAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to the acute foreign exchange posi-

tion, the import of rubber planting materials has been totally banned; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to maintain production in the rubber planting industry?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI S. V. RAMASWAMY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

POST OFFICE ACCOUNTS FOR BOOKING OF CARS, MOTOR-CYCLES AND SCOOTERS

105. { SHRI ARJUN ARORA:
SHRI S. S. MARISWAMY:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of accounts opened for cars, motor-cycles and scooters with the post offices in the country till the end of September, 1965; and

(b) the amount of money deposited?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY (SHRI BIBUDHENDRA MISRA): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

कीनिया से सोडा ऐश का खरीदा जाना

106. श्री रामकुमार भुवालका : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या भारत सरकार का कीनिया से सोडा ऐश खरीदने का विचार है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका व्यौरा क्या है ?

† [PURCHASE OF SODA ASH FROM KENYA

106. SHRI R. K. BHUWALKA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India propose to purchase Soda Ash from Kenya; and

(b) if so, the details of the purchase?]

वाणिज्य मंत्री (श्री मनुभाई शाह) :

(क) जी, हां । भारत कीनिया और अन्य देशों से सोडा ऐश खरीद रहा है ।

(ख) भारत ने कीनिया से 1962-63 में 16,827 मी० टन, 1963-64 में 9,744 मी० टन और 1964-65 में 12,707 मी० टन सोडा ऐश खरीदा है जिसका मूल्य क्रमशः 31 लाख रु०, 19 लाख रु० और 24 लाख रु० है ।

† [THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) Yes, Sir. India is purchasing Soda Ash from Kenya and other countries.

(b) Indian import of Soda Ash from Kenya has been of the order of 16827 Metric tons in 1962-63, 9744 Metric tons in 1963-64 and 12707 Metric tons in 1964-65, valued at Rs. 31 lakhs, Rs. 19 lakhs and Rs 24 lakhs respectively]

SUCCESS OF INDIAN PAVILION AT THE NEW YORK WORLD FAIR

107. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have assessed the success made by the Indian Pavilion in the sale of the Indian goods at the New York World Fair which concluded on the 17th October, 1965;

† [] English translation.