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- 4. Report on Multi-storeyed Buildings.
- 5. Report on Industrial Estates.
- 6. Report on Industrial Training Institutes and Central Training Institutes.
- 5. Social Welfare Team-
 - 1. Report on Social Welfare and Welfare of Backward Classes.

CONSUMPTION OF PRINTING PAPER

72. SHRI B. N. BHARGAVA; Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUS-TRY be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by Government to make India self-sufficient so far as printing paper consumption is concerned; and

(b) the annual consumption of printing paper in India?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) Every effort is being made to increase indigenous production by licensing more capacity for manufacture of this type of paper.

(b) It is about 135,000 tons.

PRODUCTION, CONSUMPTION AND DEFI-CIENCY OF KRAFT AND BOARD

73. SHRI B. N. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUS-. TRY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of kraft and board
(i) produced and (ii) consumed in
the country annually; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government to make up the deficiency in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) and (b) A statement is attached.

STATEMENT

(a) Following information is furnished:

- Production-
 - (i) Kraft paper—37,000 tons per year.
 - (ii) Paper boards-60,000 tons per year.

Consumption-

- (i) Kraft paper-40,000 tons per year.
- (ii) Paper boards—62,000 tons per year.

(b) The country is by and large self-sufficient in respect of kraft paper and boards. The present imports of kraft and board are very small which are of special types (such as those required for multi-wall paper sacks, abbrasives and other laminated products) and required for industrial use. The expansion scheme of one of the paper mills which has recently been completed is likely to cope with the demand for such special types of kraft paper and by 1961 imports are likely to be negligible. Small quantities of highly specialised qualities which by virtueof their negligible demand do not lend themselves to economic indihe genous manufacture, have to imported.

MANUFACTURE, CONSUMPTION AND IMPORT OF TISSUE PAPER

74. SHRI B. N. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUS-TRY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of tissue paper (i) manufactured, (ii) imported and (iii) consumed annually in the country; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government to meet the country's needs in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) and (b) A statement is attached.

STATEMENT

(a) The following information is furnished in respect of tissue paper:

(i) Production-1800 tons per year.