

[THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON): (a) and (b). The Government of India have not received any official information so far. Official reports from the Indian scientists who participated in this Expedition are awaited.]

(c) The Government of India were consulted beforehand and deputed a team of three Indian scientists who participated in the expedition.]

CYCLE INDUSTRY

39. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE: Will the "Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY" be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cycle factories which are at present working in India, State-wise;

(b) the number of cycles which are annually produced by these factories;

(c) whether any cycles or cycle parts are at present being imported;

(d) if so, from which countries and in what number and of what value; and

(e) what is the annual sale of cycles in India?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI SATISH CHANDRA): (a) to (e) A statement is attached. [See Appendix XXIX, Annexure No. 10.]

REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED PERSONS

40. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of registered unemployed persons in India in each of the years since the end of the First Five Year Plan period; and

(b) what is the number of persons, for each of these years, who secured employment through the Employment Exchanges?

f [] English translation.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI ABID ALI): (a) and (b) The information is given below:—

Year	No. on the Live Register at the end of the year	No. of applicants placed in employment during the year
1955-56 . . .	7,04,638	1,76,853
1956-57 . . .	7,47,341	1,84,604
1957-58 . . .	9,31,749	2,03,407
1958-59 . . .	12,17,650	2,39,354
1959-60 . . . (up to Feb. '60)	14,00,965	2,58,412

DRAFT THIRD FIVE YEAR PLAN

41. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the draft Third Five Year Plan has been finalised; and

(b) if so, when it is likely to be presented to Parliament?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI S. N. MISHRA): (a) and (b) The draft outline of the Third Five Year Plan is expected to be ready for consideration by the Government in the first half of May and to be published early in June. Copies will be sent to Members immediately after publication. It is proposed that the draft outline should be considered by Parliament during the next session.

SUB-SOIL WATER IN NEW DELHI

42. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: Will the Minister of WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY be pleased to state the existing level of sub-soil water in New Delhi and the extent, if any, to which the rise has affected the city's buildings and structures?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY (SHRI ANIL K. J CHANDA): The sub-soil water level varies from place to place and from