

SHRI K. C. REDDY: As regards cost, have already said that I would require time to answer that question.

SHRI KISHEN CHAND: Is it a fact, Sir, that till recently penicillin was imported from foreign countries and only bottling done in India?

SHRI K. C. REDDY: No, Sir. There are certain firms already manufacturing penicillin in the country. Also, certain bottling has been going on of imported penicillin.

SHRI KISHEN CHAND: Is it a fact, Sir, that eighty per cent. in value, of the raw materials is being imported from foreign countries for the manufacture of penicillin?

SHRI K. C. REDDY: Yes, Sir. I have given an answer already. The hon. Member can draw his own inference.

DR. RAGHUBIR SINH: Is it not correct, Sir, that Corn Steep Liquor is produced from maize? Do we not produce maize in India from which we can produce this liquor here?

SHRI K. C. REDDY: To produce it from Peanut Meal is considered to be cheaper.

DR. R. P. DUBE: May I know, Sir, what will be the cost of production when it is ready, when the peak production is reached? The hon. Minister said that Rs. 34 lakhs will be spent on that. What will be the cost of production then?

SHRI K. C. REDDY: We have to arrive at the cost at the time when it is produced. Now, it can only be an estimate and it is not proper to go into the question now.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Dr. Dube, your next question.

USE OF INDIAN MADE COMPONENTS IN INDIAN CARS

*667. DR. R. P. DUBE: Will the Minister for COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made since 1951 in the use of Indian-made components in Indian cars.

(b) whether the above progress is measured in terms of number of components or in terms of value thereof in relation to the total cost of the complete car; and

(c) the year in which 90 per cent. of the total components used in a car are likely to be of Indian origin?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY: (SHRI N. KANUNGO): (a) The progress achieved in the incorporation of Indian made components in cars approved for manufacture in the country varies from car to car. The indigenous components are reported to form 65 per cent. of the "Hindusthan 14", while those of the Premier Automobiles are 50 per cent. of the "Dodge" truck.

(b) In terms of the total imported cost of the car.

(c) It is difficult to forecast the year by which 90 per cent. manufacture could be achieved, but it should be possible, with the present rate of progress, to attain this target during the second Five Year Plan period in respect of at least some of the approved makes.

DR. R. P. DUBE: May I know, Sir, the price of the parts that are imported? Which are the parts that are imported; and which are being made here?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: As far as the "Hindusthan 14" is concerned, 65 per cent. of the components are made here in value and the balance imported.

DR. R. P. DUBE: Is it in value, this 65 per cent.?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: Yes, Sir.

SHRI LALCHAND HIRACHAND DOSHI: Will the hon. Minister be pleased to place on the Table a statement showing the components produced for the different vehicles?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: I will do it at a later stage, Sir.

SHRIMATI VIOLET ALVA: May I know, Sir, whether the 7½ per cent. reduction in price of the "Hindusthan" cars, that has been made, is due to this progressive local manufacture of the component parts?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: Possibly.

DR. R. P. DUBE: May I know, Sir, what parts are imported? Are we importing nuts and bolts or are we importing engines and things like that?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: Well, Sir, it is a long list and as I have said, when I place the statement on the Table of the House, at a later stage, the hon. Member will know about it.

SHRI M. M. SUR: May I know, Sir, how many of these items are manufactured, such as engine cylinder, blocks, crankshaft, inlet and exhaust valves, plugs, etc.?

MR. CHAIRMAN: He will place a statement on the Table which will give these details.

DR. R. P. DUBE: With 65 per cent. of the parts made here, may I know, Sir, why the cars are sold 100 per cent. above the prices they are sold elsewhere?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: I cannot say it is 100 per cent. above, but it is settled according to the terms of the Tariff Commission in the country.

DR. SHRIMATI SEETA PARNAND: May I know, Sir, whether these parts are manufactured under the guidance of foreign technicians? And, if so, to what nationality do these technicians belong?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: Foreign technicians are employed in some of the manufacturing concerns, but how many direct them and what their nationality is, I can answer only on notice.

SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY: Has the Tariff Commission taken into consideration the fact that these manufacturing concerns have also distributing agencies of their own and they charge

a heavy commission for the distributing agency and that is the reason for the high price of the cars?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: The Tariff Commission have taken all factors into consideration.

SHRI K. S. HEGDE: Is it a fact, Sir, that nowadays there is a progressive deterioration in the quality of the cars?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: That is no correct, Sir.

DR. D. H. VARIAVA: May I ask Sir, if foreign manufacturers have also reduced their price by 7½ per cent. for their cars?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: Imports of foreign cars are prohibited.

OFFICERS EMPLOYED IN THE INTEGRATED PUBLICITY PROGRAMME

*668. DR. R. P. DUBE: Will the Minister for INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the number of Officers at present engaged in the Integrated Publicity Programme for the Five Year Plan?

THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTER FOR INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IX, Annexure No. 140.]

DR. R. P. DUBE: May I know, Sir, whether the class I, II and III officers were first recruited and then they appeared before the U.P.S.C.?

SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN: Class I, class II and class II (non gazetted) are recruited, some through the U.P.S.C. and some people are recruited directly and then approved by the U.P.S.C.

DR. R. P. DUBE: Are they being given any training, because this relates to a particular thing, i.e., Integrated Publicity Programme for the Five Year