

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, whether there is any proposal to provide facilities in this regard?]

THE MINISTER FOR INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (DR. B. V. KESKAR): (a) and (b). No, Sir. But in giving daily allowance to artistes consideration is given to the necessity they will have of making their own arrangements.

*664. [Withdrawn.]

MANUFACTURE OF INK

*665. SHRI J. V. K. VALLABHARAO: Will the Minister for COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of ink manufacturing concerns in India;

(b) which of these concerns are foreign owned, partly or wholly;

(c) the installed capacity of these concerns and their actual annual production;

(d) whether Government have received any applications from foreign firms for licences to install ink manufacturing units in India;

(e) if the answer to part (d) above be in the affirmative, which are these firms and what decision Government have taken on their applications; and

(f) whether Government have received representations from the All India Ink Manufacturing Association protesting against the grant of such licences to foreign firms and if so, what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER FOR COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): (a) and (c). Precise information is not available.

(b) If it be that companies whose capital has been subscribed wholly or to a major extent by non-nationals,

are regarded as foreign concerns, only one such concern is manufacturing fountain pen ink. It is M/s. Parker Pen Co. (India) Ltd., Madras.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Question does not arise.

(f) Yes, Sir. There is, however, no proposal requiring consideration at present. The points urged by the Association can only be borne in mind in the matter of allowing any further foreign owned ink manufacturing unit to be established in the country.

हिन्दुस्थान मशीन टूल फैक्टरी

*६६६. श्री प्र० च० भञ्जदेव : क्या उत्पादन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बंगलोर के निकट स्थापित की जाने वाली हिन्दुस्थान मशीन टूल फैक्टरी में आज तक कितना पूंजी-विनियोग हुआ है ; और

(ख) इस कर्मशाला पर जुलाई, १९५४ तक, जब कि यह उत्पादन आरम्भ करेगी, किस परिमाण में अधिक पूंजी विनियोग की जायेगी ?

†[HINDUSTHAN MACHINE TOOLS FACTORY

*666. SHRI P. C. BHANJ DEO: Will the Minister for PRODUCTION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the up-to-date capital outlay of the Hindusthan Machine Tools Factory which is being put up near Bangalore; and

(b) what would be the estimated additional capital outlay of the factory by July 1954 when it is expected to start production?]

THE MINISTER FOR PRODUCTION (SHRI K. C. REDDY): (a) Rs. 2,00,00,000.

†English translation.