

think that full production will not be achieved very soon.

**Export of Manganese Ore**

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 Shri Namblar:  
 Dr. Saradish Roy:  
 Shri P. Kunhan:  
 Shri M. N. Swamy:  
 Shri Laxmi Dass:  
 Shri Imbichhava:

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation of India has decided to stop the present system of barter deals in manganese ore exports;

(b) whether the private exporters will be given a free hand to export the ore themselves and not necessarily through the Corporation; and

(c) if so, the reasons for such a decision?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) As from 1st January, 1965, exports of manganese ore on barter basis will be handled by the M.M.T.C. directly and not through the intermediary of private parties as is being done now.

(b) Yes, Sir, Government proposes to continue the present policy of export of manganese ore freely by shippers and mineowners.

(c) Barter deals require to be transacted under controlled conditions. Manganese ore export under barter will be handled by the M.M.T.C. directly and not through intermediaries acting on behalf of the M.M.T.C.

**Prices of Mill Cloth**

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 Shri D. C. Sharma:  
 Shri Vishram Prasad:  
 Shri P. C. Borooah:  
 Shri Bader:  
 Shri Yashpal Singh:

- Shri Shree Narayan Das:  
 Shri R. S. Pandey:  
 Shri Eswara Reddy:  
 Shri Mohan Swarup:  
 Shri D. J. Naik:  
 Shri Kajrolkar:  
 Shri S. N. Chaturvedi:  
 Shrimati Benuka Ray:  
 Shri P. K. Deo:

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Cotton Textiles Consultative Board has recommended to Government that statutory controls be imposed on the production and prices of popular varieties of mill cloth; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government to the suggestion?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Commerce (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The recommendations are under the active consideration of Government.

**Trade with U.S.A.**

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 Shri P. C. Borooah:  
 Shri Hem Raj:  
 Shri P. R. Chakraverti:  
 Shri K. N. Tiwary:

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether he visited Washington in June this year to hold trade talks with the United State Government officials;

(b) if so, the specific matters discussed with them; and

(c) the result of these talks?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) to (c). I visited U.S.A. in June 1964, several issues had to be discussed with (i) U.N. authorities for UNCTAD Conference, with (ii) U.S.A. Government authorities and Exporters organisation for our export trade in textiles, cashew, spices, fish and sea foods, manganese

ore, handloom and handicraft, mica, engineering goods, manufactured goods, with (iii) U.S.A. Government authorities imports of cotton, Soybean oil and tallow under PL 480 and (iv) visit to our pavilion in New York Fair.

**रेलवे कर्मचारियों को रेल यात्रा में रियायत**

\* 131. श्री बागड़ी : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने रेलवे कर्मचारियों को रेल किराये में रियायत देने के सम्बन्ध में बेतन आयोग की सिफारिशों को कार्यान्वित करने का फैसला कर लिया है ; और

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री ( डा० राम सुभग सिंह ) : (क) और (ख). शायद माननीय सदस्य का मतलब दूसरे वेतन आयोग की उस सिफारिश से है जिसमें यह कहा गया है कि इस समय रेल कर्मचारियों को जितने मुफ्त रेलवे पास और पी० टी० ओ० दिये जाते हैं, उनकी संख्या कम कर दी जाये। इस सम्बन्ध में स्थिति यह है कि इस मुद्दा पर उन दो श्रमिक संघों का विचार जानना जरूरी था जिनका रेल मंत्रालय से वास्ता है। इस समय रेल कर्मचारियों को जो रियायतें दी जाती हैं, उनमें किसी तरह की कमी करने का दावा संघों ने कड़ा विरोध किया। इस सम्बन्ध में दूसरे देशों की रेलों में प्रचलित प्रथा के बारे में भी जानकारी की गई है। प्राप्त सूचना के आधार पर और दूसरे परिवहन-संयटन (जैसे हवाई जहाज कम्पनियां और जहाजरानी कम्पनियां) अपने कर्मचारियों को जो रियायतें देते हैं, उनको भी ध्यान में रख कर इस मामले पर विचार किया जा रहा है।

**Steel Plant in Goa-Hospet and Bailadilla-Vishakhapatnam Areas**

- Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:  
 Shri M. N. Swamy:  
 Shri Bishanchander Seth:  
 Shri B. P. Yadava:  
 Shri Rameshwar Tantia:  
 Shri Dhaon:  
 Shri D. C. Sharma:  
 Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah:  
 Shri Yashpal Singh:  
 Shri P. C. Borooah:  
 Shri Solanki:  
 Shri Esvara Reddy:  
 Shri A. S. Saigal:  
 \*132. Shri Basappa:  
 Shri P. K. Deo:  
 Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:  
 Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:  
 Maharajkumar Vijaya  
 Ananda:  
 Shri Kajrolkar:  
 Shri E. Barua:  
 Shri M. S. Murti:  
 Shri E. S. Pandey:  
 Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:  
 Shri Baswant:  
 Shrimati Resuka Barkataki:  
 Shri T. Subramanyam:

Will the Minister of Steel and Mines be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 44 on the 1st June, 1964 and state:

(a) whether the report of the Technical Committee constituted to find out the possibility of setting up a steel plant in Goa-Hospet and Bailadilla-Vishakhapatnam areas has been received; and

(b) if so, the main recommendations of the Committee?

The Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri N. Sanjiva Reddy): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On the whole the Committee has favoured the Hospet location, though it considers the Bailadilla-Vishakhapatnam area and Goa also suitable and worthy of further study.