

iron ore mines in the country with a view to meeting the increasing requirements of the steel plants;

(b) if so, the names of the iron ore mines where the said mechanization is going to be introduced;

(c) the names of the ore mines which are not being worked at present due to transport difficulties; and

(d) the action Government propose to take in the matter?

**The Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri N. Sanjiva Reddy):** (a) and (b). The following iron ore mines have been developed in the public sector for feeding the steel plants:—

- (1) Rajhara, Dalli, Kokan and Ari Dongri.
- (2) Barsua.
- (3) Bolani .
- (4) Babadadan Hill in Mysore.

Of these, four mines at (1) are attached to the Bhilai Steel Plant. Rajhara has been mechanised. The mechanisation of the Dalli mine is now under consideration. The other two mines are not mechanised.

The Mine at No. (2) which is attached to Rourkela Steel Plant is already mechanised.

The Mine at (3) which is attached to the Durgapur Steel Plant is being mechanised progressively. It is hoped that by 1966 the mine will be fully mechanised.

The mine at (4) is attached to the Mysore Iron and Steel Works. The capacity of the steel plant is being expanded. The mechanisation of the mine is under consideration with a view to meeting the increased requirements of the plant.

Besides the above mentioned mines, the following mines in the private sector provide iron ore for the Tata Iron and Steel Company Limited and

the Indian Iron and Steel Company Limited:—

- (1) Noamundi
- (2) Joda East
- (3) Gorumahisani
- (4) Badampahar
- (5) Khondbond
- (6) Gua Ore Mines

Of these, (1) and (2) are mechanised. (3), (4) and (5) are hand mines. The Mine at No. (6) is partially mechanised.

(c) No information regarding such mines has been so far received.

(d) Does not arise.

**New Railway Line from Ongole to Hyderabad**

**361. Shri M. N. Swamy:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal was made by the Andhra Pradesh Government to build a new Railway line from Ongole to Hyderabad via Nagarjunasagar; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Central Government thereto?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):**  
(a) Yes.

(b) New lines to be taken up for construction in the Fourth Plan are still under consideration in conjunction with the Planning Commission. However, due to paucity of funds prospects of inclusion of this line appear slim.

#### Glass Industry

362. { Shri M. N. Swamy:  
Dr. Saradish Roy:  
Shri P. Kunhan:  
Shri Imbichhava:

Will the Minister of Industry and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether a leading glass manufacturing firm is trying to set up a

factory at Bahadurgarh (Punjab) to manufacture items other than those for whom it had been given licence;

(b) if so, whether this will adversely affect the existing small-scale glass industry; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to protect this small-scale industry?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Industry and Supply (Shri Bibudhendra Misra): (a) No, a factory licensed for manufacture of glass bottles at Bahadurgarh (Punjab), has applied for permission of the Government to manufacture penicillin vials and pressedware by surrendering an equivalent portion of the licensed capacity for manufacture of glass bottles. The application is still under consideration.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

#### Match Industry

364. { Shri Laxmi Dass:  
Shri P. Kunhan:  
Shri Nambiar:  
Dr. Saradish Roy:

Will the Minister of Industry and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a crisis developing in South Indian decentralized hand-made match industry;

(b) whether Government have received representations on this matter from small-scale manufacturers' associations; and

(c) if so, the steps Government propose to take to avert the crisis?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Industry and Supply (Shri Bibudhendra Misra): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Some representations were received from Small-scale sector, for restricting the production of the mechanised sector of match industry in general, and M/s. WIMCO in particular.

During the past few years no expansion of capacity in the mechanised sector of match industry, has been allowed. Interests of the small-scale units will be kept in view in considering expansion of match industry in future also.

#### रेलों पर तोड़ फोड़

{ श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री :  
365. { श्री यशपाल सिंह :  
श्री जगदेव सिंह सिद्धान्ती :

क्या रेलवे मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या रेलवे पर गत 6 मास में हुई तोड़ फोड़ की घटनाओं के पीछे कुछ षड्यन्त्रों का भी पता चला है ;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो क्या बिहार और उत्तर प्रदेश में हुई रेल. दुर्घटनाओं में कुछ विदेशी व्यक्तियों का हाथ था; और

(ग) यदि हाँ, तो भविष्य में उनकी रोकथाम के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० राम सुभग सिंह) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग). सवाल नहीं उठता ।

#### Indo-Canadian Zinc Project in Kerala

{ Shri Rameshwar Tantia:  
366. { Shri Dhaon:  
Shri Bishanchander Seth:  
Shri B. P. Yadava:

Will the Minister of Steel and Mines be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to establish Indo-Canadian Zinc project in Kerala;

(b) if so, when the project is likely to be set up; and

(c) the total capacity of production of Zinc per annum and the capital outlay involved?