coalfields and at some distance from the ports, the scheme of subsidized rail freight as announced by Finance Minister during his Budget Speech on 23-4-62 has been implemented w.e.f. 1-7-62 has been implemented been extended to cover despatches from inland refineries as well. In addition to this general concession, selected cement factories in the Western and Southern regions of the country are being given additional fiscal relief in the switch-over.

Pakistani Immigrants in Tripura

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: ٢ Shri Indrajit Gupta: Shri P. R. Chakraverti: Shri Prakash Vir Shastri: Shri P. C. Borocah: Shri Yallamanda Reddy: Shri Yashpal Singh: Shri Raghunath Singh: Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: Shri Bhakt Darshan: *257. Shri Tridib Kumar Chaudhuri: Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya: Shri Dasaratha Deb: Shri Bagri: Shri Ram Sewak Yadav: Shri Rishang Keishing: Shri Ram Ratan Gupta: Shri S. N. Chaturvedi: Shri K. Patínayak: Shri Hem Barua:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the number of illegal immigrants into Tripura from Pakistan who have been expelled since 23rd June, 1962;

(b) the number of such immigrants at present in Tripura;

(c) whether Government have decided to stop the expulsion of such immigrants from Tripura; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Lai Bahadur Shastri): (a) 2,778.

(b) About 45,000.

(c) and (d). The eviction of such persons has been suspended for the time-being on human considerations and to reduce tension in the border areas.

Looting of Ammunition at Dankuni Railway Station

***258. Shri Indrajit Gupta:** Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large quantity of ammunition was looted from a railway wagon on the 13th May, 1962 at Dankuni on the Eastern Railway;

(b) whether the miscreants responsible have been apprehended;

(c) whether the stolen ammunition has been recovered; and

(d) circumstances in which the looting took place?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): (a) to (d). It is a fact that some ammunition was looted by miscreants from a railway wagon on the 13th May, 1962 near Dankuni station. The matter is at present under investigation by the police authorities who have already arrested some suspected persons. Out of 9,600 Cartridges originally reported as lost, 8,686 have since been recovered.

Indian Currency Notes in Persian Gulf

*259. Shri R. Barua: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian currency notes specially issued for the Persian Gulf have been completely replaced by the Indian rupee coins and coins of smaller denominations;

(b) whether it is a fact that Indian rupee coins are in circulation far in excess of the normal trade requirements: and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to save foreign exchange and to stop the unauthorised flow of Indian rupee coins to the Persian Gulf area?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) No, Sir. Indian notes and coins are still in circulation outside the Sheikhdom of Kuwait.

(b) and (c). There are indications to show that the circulation of Indian coins in these areas is somewhat above the normal requirements. Although no immediate action on the part of the Government of India is considered necessary, the position is being watched very carefully, and whatever action is necessary will be taken in consultation with the Reserve Bank

Foundry Forge Project at Ranchi

*260. Dr. L. M. Singhvi: Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) when the foundry forge project at Ranchi is expected to be completed; and

(b) whether the expected time of completion of the project is in accordance with the Schedule originally fixed?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

(a) The Plant is expected to be completed during 1965-66.

(b) The original time schedule for the Foundry Forge Plant was based on the construction of the first stage of the project corresponding to a production capacity of 23,000 tons of Heavy Machine Building Plant, Ranchi and also on the data regarding the soil conditions and availability of structurals and construction equipment as envisaged earlier. The schedule for the Plant was revised when the contract for the second stage for a corresponding production capacity of 1434 (Ai) LSD-3.

45,000 tons at the Heavy Machine Building Plant was signed on the 31st March, 1961, with Messrs. Technoexport, Prague. The revised time schedule has now been maintained for the completion of the first and second stages of the Foundry Forge Project simultaneously.

Three Language Formula

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•261. j Shri Bishanchander Seth: Shri Bhakt Darshan:

| Shri Raghunath Singh:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the three-language formula evolved by the Central Government in consultation with the State Governments has been fully implemented;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps the respective State Governments have taken uptill now and the progress made so far?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) The State Governments have generally accepted the three-language formula with some variations to suit local conditions.

(b) The simplified three-language formula adopted by the Chief Ministers' Conference held in August, 1961, is as follows:—

- (i) the regional language and mother tongue when the latter is different from the regional language;
- (ii) Hindi or, in Hindi speaking areas, another Indian language; and
- (iii) English or any other modern European language.

(c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

[See Appendix I, Annexure No. 65].