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(b) whether suggestions were invited from the staff regarding difficult maintenance problems before resorting to foreign experts?

दिया गया था ? श्री प्र० चं० सेठी: सप्लाई रोकी नहीं

रोकने के लिए ६ महीने पहले कोई नोटिस

गई है बल्कि कुछ कम हो गई है जिसकी कि बजह से उनको कुछ कमी महसूस हो रहा है।

श्री यशपाल सिंह : डिफैंस परपजेज में क्या इस से कुछ कभी पड़ने की सम्भावना है ?

Shri P. C. Sethi: Defence is being given top priority.

Shri Vishram Prasad: How much pig iron is being supplied to other foundries in India during the year?

Shri P. C. Sethi: As far as the details of the supply to the various foundries are concerned, I require a separate notice.

श्री कछ्वाय: उन को बराबर कीटा न मिलने से देश की कितना नकसान हुआ है ?

श्री प्रव चंव सेडी : इस समय कुछ फाउंडरीज बन्द हैं श्रीर कुछ का काम सफर कर रहा है लेकिन इस कमी को पूरा करने की पूरी कोशिश की जा रही है।

श्री कछवाय : हानि कितनी हुई है ?

श्री प्र० चं० सेठी : यह इस समय नहीं बतलाया जा सकता है।

श्वो बड़े : प्रांडक्शन कितना कम हम्रा है ?

Mr. Speaker: Next question. Shri Dubey.

## High Pressure Boiler Plants

Shri R. G. Dubey: Shri J. B. S. Bist: Shri Rameshwar Tantia: Shri R. S. Pandey:

Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of progress made in respect of High Pressure Boiler Plant at Tiruchi; and 2991 (Ai) LSD-2.

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Seishi): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

## STATEMENT

In pursuance of the contract entered with Messrs. Technoexport, Prague on 7th June, 1961, the Detailed Project Report of the Project was received in August, 1962. The Project Report has been considered and accepted in principle by Government. Specifications and offers for supply of plant and machinery have been received from Messrs. Technoexport. Prague and are under consideration.

- 2. Land required for the Plan and township has ben acquired at Tiruchi. Levelling and dressing of factory area for the first stage of the Plant has been completed. Works on the construction of railway sidings, roads, Artisans' School, workshop, hostel and some residential quarters and power supply scheme are in progress,
- 3. As the project is in the stages of construction, the question of inviting suggestions from the staff regarding difficult maintenance problems before resorting to foreign experts does not arise.
- Shri R. G. Dubey: What will be the various components proposed be manufactured in this plant?
- Shri P. C. Sethi: This plant will manufacture 12 boilers per annum each to suit a 50 megawatt steam turbine. It is also envisaged to design the manufacture from 50 to 150 megawatt unit sizes of boilers with a total capacity of 0.75 million kilowatts.
- Shri R. G. Dubey: By what date is this factory proposed to be brought into commission?
- Shri P. C. Sethi: We hope that it will go into production by 1965-66.

Shri Rameshwar Tantia: Will this new ceiling of Rs. 5,000;- a month on salaries create a difficulty in acquiring foreign experts?

Shri P. C. Sethi: How does this question arise from a question on high-pressure boiler plant?

Dr. K. L. Rao: May I know whether the project report received in August 1962 was for a lower capacity? Now that a higher capacity is being decided upon have we received a new project report for the approval of the project administration?

Shri P. C. Sethi: The project report was received in August 1962. It has been considered and accepted.

## Rourkela and Durgapur Steel Plants

\*425. Shri Morarka: Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Rourkela and Durgapur Steel Plants have reached the rated capacity of production; and
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor and when they are expected to reach the rated capacity?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) In the production of steel ingots, Durgapur has already achieved the rated capacity. In Rourkela the production of steel ingots has reached 92% of the rated capacity.

(b) Rourkela is likely to achieve full production of steel ingots shortly. Each of the plants is expected to produce the full quantity of saleable steel, according to its capacity, in 1963-64. Shortage of adequatery qualified technical personnel, deterioration in the quality of raw materials, deficiency in transport within the plant, shortage of spare parts were some of the factors responsible for delay in the achievement of full production at Rourkela. Steps have already been taken to remedy these defects.

Shri Morarka: Recently, in one of the quarterly meetings of the General Managers, the hon. Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries gave them a target date by the end of March 1963 for achieving full production both in Rourkela and Durgapur. May I know whether that target date will be fulfilled?

Shri P. C. Sethi: Durgapur has already achieved 100 per cent. As for Rourkela, we have done 100 per cent in the pig iron production but steel production is 92 per cent and is likely to go up.

Shri Morarka: Do I understand from the hon. Deputy Minister that Durgapur has achieved 100 per cent capacity in all the products?

Shri P. C. Sethi: In ingot produc-

Shri Indrajit Gupta: In view of the fact that the Rourkela and the Durgapur steel plants have been lagging behind considerably for some time whereas Bhilai has gone ahead, what specific steps have been taken by Hindustan Steel to apply the experiences gained at Bhilai to the plants at Rourkela and Durgapur so as to step up production?

Shri P. C. Sethi: There is no question of applying the experience and technique of Bhilai because Rourkela is absolutely a different type of mill. It is mostly meant for plates. For this purpose, according to the Solveen Committee's Report, we have recruited and appointed fresh personnel and have taken action according to the report given by them.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: Since the emergency proclaimed last October, which of the three plants, Bhilai, Rourkela and Durgapur, has been leading as far as the rate of increase in production is concerned, and is there any proposal to expand production at all these three plants or only in some of the plants?

Shri P. C. Sethi: It is known to the House that Bhilai is leading as far as production is concerned. Durgapur