

Productivity Year

*411. **Shri Tan Singh:** Will the Minister of **Industry and Supply** be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has made a call for industrial truce in the context of the Indian Productivity Year (1966);

(b) the reaction of the employers and employees thereto; and

(c) the steps contemplated by Government to remove difficulties for arranging such a truce?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Industry and Supply (Shri T. N. Singh): (a) to (c). The call for industrial truce was made in a general way in my welcome address at the 1st meeting of the Indian Productivity Year National Committee. No reactions of employers and employees to the above call have so far been received by the Council. Suitable steps will be taken as soon as the reactions are brought to the notice of Government.

**Heavy Engineering Corporation,
Ranchi**

*412. **Shri P. K. Ghosh:** Will the Minister of **Industry and Supply** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Short Notice Question No. 17 on the 10th May, 1965 and state:

(a) whether any final assessment has been made in respect of the technical and non-technical personnel becoming surplus in the Construction Division of the Heavy Engineering Corporation, Ranchi;

(b) if so, the number of such personnel in each category and how many out of these have been offered employment in Bokaro and other Projects; and

(c) how many of the surplus staff in different categories are being trained up for other trades?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Industry and Supply (Shri Bibudhendra Misra): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The surplus is only in respect of the civil engineering personnel and the position as on 1st June, 1965 was as under:

Zonal Engineers	2
Executive Engineers	9
Assistant Engineers	45
Engineer Assistants	90
Overseers (Civil)	1
TOTAL	147

With the lapse of time the position may change either way.

The particulars of surplus hands have been furnished to Bokaro Steel Plant, Roadwings of Transport Ministry and other projects for absorption to the extent possible. Results are awaited.

(c) 20 truck and car drivers have been trained as Crane Operators and some Engineer Assistants have been put on supervisory jobs to take over as charge heads in various sections. A training programme for others is under consideration. H.E.C. have also internally absorbed 105 engineering personnel of different categories.

Increase in Goods Traffic and Speeding up of Mail Trains

*413. { **Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:**
Shri Murli Manohar:
Shri H. C. Linga Reddy:

Will the Minister of **Railways** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government expect 50 per cent increase in the goods traffic and 20 per cent in passenger traffic during the next Five Year Plan;

(b) whether the speed of some mail trains is to be accelerated to 100 and 150 miles per hour; and

(c) if so, the estimated outlay involved in implementing these measures?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath): (a) The Railways' Fourth Five Year