

कारखाने के लिए अभी तक आर्डर नहीं दिये गये हैं ।

H.E.C., Ranchi

*914. **Shri Bibhuti Mishra:**
Shri K. N. Tiwary:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Heavy Engineering Corporation at Hatia has been spending Rs. 60 lakhs per month on establishment; and

(b) whether it is a fact that the industry has got no work to do?

The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

Licensing of Powerlooms

*915. **Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:**
Shri R. Barua:
Shri R. S. Pandey:
Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:

Will the Minister of **Commerce** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 633 on the 3rd December, 1965 and state:

(a) whether the report regarding the system of licensing of powerlooms has since been considered by Government; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Commerce (Shri Shafi Qureshi): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Government's decisions are expected to be announced shortly.

10-year Perspective Steel Plan for Heavy Engineering Corporation, Ranchi.

*916. **Shri P. R. Chakraverti:** Will the Minister of **Iron and Steel** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have drawn up a 10-year perspective plan for steel to take up a firm decision with regard to the production sche-

dule of the Heavy Engineering Corporation Ranchi.

(b) whether the H.E.C., Ranchi has been fully equipped and rationalised to meet the requirements of the blast furnaces for the country's steel plants;

(c) how far the steel plants have agreed to utilise the indigenous resources in their different stages of expansion for the next 10 years; and

(d) whether the H.E.C., Ranchi has been asked to make its enormous engineering capacities available for this purpose to tackle the foreign exchange crisis?

The Minister of Iron and Steel (Shri T. N. Singh): (a) A ten-year perspective plan for steel has yet to be finalised. The Heavy Engineering Corporation, have however, worked out their tentative production programme on the basis of 16.5 million tonnes ingot steel capacity by 1970-71 and 28 million tonnes by 1975-76.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d). It is fully agreed that all available indigenous resources shall be utilised to the maximum extent possible. Orders for plant and equipment will be placed as and when the requirements of the steel plants actually arise.

Import of Newsprint from U.S.S.R.

*917. **Shri Yashpal Singh:**
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:

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

(a) whether it is proposed to import more newsprint from Soviet Union;

(b) if so, the quantity to be imported; and

(c) how it will be distributed?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Soviet Union, under the Trade Agreement recently concluded, have agreed to supply increasing