

ployed or employed gainfully in other departments of the railways, why is it that Government has not considered this aspect of the case all these years, even though they have been working since 1954 as casual labour, which is a bad thing in itself?

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: That is precisely what we are doing. As I said, 800 workers have already been absorbed and 400 have been offered appointment out of a total of less than 4,000. The total is not 8,000, as mentioned by Shri Dinen Bhattacharya. Then, the likely retrenchment is not going to be 9,000 or 10,000, as has been made out in the representation to the Prime Minister but only about 1,200, as I stated here on the floor of the House.

Shri Nambiar: It comes to 5,200 and not 1,200.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Ancillary Industries Sub-Committee

- *696. **Shri Maurya:**
Shri Bagri:
Shri Hukam Chand
Kachhavaia:
Shri Badc:
Shri Wadiwa:
Shri Chandak:
Shri Parashar:
Dr. Chandrabhan Singh:
Shri J. P. Jyotishi:
Shri Shiva Dutt Upadhyaya:

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1522 on the 6th May, 1966 and state:

(a) whether the Ancillary Industries Sub-Committee has since submitted its report to Government;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) when the report is likely to be submitted?

The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-6927/66].

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- *697. **Shri Subodh Hansda:**
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:
Shri M. L. Dwivedi:
Shri R. S. Pandey:

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the watch factory at Bangalore is working only upto 50 per cent of its capacity;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether any steps have been taken to make it run to full capacity?

The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) The Watch Factory of Hindustan Machine Tools Limited, Bangalore is working at present, at 75 per cent of its capacity.

(b) Non-availability of adequate foreign exchange for the import of essential raw materials and components.

(c) Within the overall availability and the inter-se priority of demands, efforts are being made to increase the foreign exchange allocation for the factory to enable it to step up its production.

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उतर जाना

- *698. श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :
 श्री भागवत झा आजाद :
 श्री सोनावने :
 श्री रघुनाथ सिंह :
 श्री तुलाराम :