

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].

##### H.M.T. Bangalore

- \*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.

मद्रास-हावड़ा एक्सप्रेस का पटरी से  
उतर जाना

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

श्री विश्वनाथ पाण्डेय :  
श्री ६० ब० राजू :  
श्री श्रीकार लाल बरवा :  
श्री राम हरल्ल यादव :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 30 मई, 1966 को मारमपल्लि रेलवे स्टेशन (दक्षिण रेलवे) पर मद्रास हावडा एक्सप्रेस इंजन समेत पटरी से उतर गई;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इसके परिणामस्वरूप दो व्यक्ति घायल हुए ;

(ग) इस दुर्घटना के क्या कारण थे; और

(घ) इस बारे में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री शाम नाथ) : (क) गाड़ी के इंजन का टैंडर और इंजन से लगे 9 डिब्बे पटरी से उतर गये ।

(ख) जी हाँ ।

(ग) दुर्घटना रेल कर्मचारियों की गलती से हुई ।

(घ) दुर्घटना के लिए जिम्मेदार ठहराये गये कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध अनुशासन मन्बन्धी उपयुक्त कार्रवाई की जा रही है ।

#### Exports by S.T.C.

\*699. Dr. M. M. Das: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the value of exports by the State Trading Corporation has come down from Rs. 38.62 crores in 1963-64 to Rs. 16.74 crores in 1965-66;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that though the value of exports has come

down considerably, yet the value of imports by S.T.C. has gone up from 55.93 crores in 1963-64 to Rs. 79.88 crores in 1965-66, if so, the reasons therefore; and

(d) whether the main purpose for which the State Trading Corporation was set up is to step up the export trade of the country and how far this object has been fulfilled?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manbhai Shah): (a) to (d). A statement is laid on tee Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-6928/66].

#### Recruitment for Bokaro Plant

\*700. Shri P. R. Chakraverti:  
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:  
Shri Daljit Singh:  
Shrimati Ramdulari Sinha:

Will the Minister of Iron and Steel be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the 'model' order formulated by the Bihar Government prescribing recruitment preferences for the guidance of the private industrial units;

(b) whether Government have taken note of the increasing displeasure of prominent people of Bihar over the method of recruitment of the personnel for the Bokaro Steel Project; and

(c) whether Government have made suggestions to the industrial undertakings in the public sector operating in different areas regarding the recruitment preferences?

The Minister of Iron and Steel (Shri T. N. Singh): (a) No, Sir. It is understood that no such model orders have been formulated by the Government of Bihar.

(b) and (c). A uniform policy has been prescribed for recruitment to all public sector undertakings under the Government of India. This policy was enunciated in a note placed on