- (c) The construction work of Ceramic Factory stated in 1961-62. Although the trial production of sanitary fittings at this unit started towards the end of 1963, the work was stopped in May, 1965.
- (d) With regard to part (a) above the matter has been referred to the C.B.I. for investigation.

Indo-Nepal Trade Talks

*534. Shri Shree Narayan Das: Shri Yashpal Singh:

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indo-Nepalese trade talks have been concluded;
- (b) if so, the nature of the conclusions reached; and
- (c) whether any precise and definite assurance has been given that Indian goods exported to Nepal would not be re-exported to any other country?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). During the recent visit of the Prime Minister to Nepal, matters relating to Indo-Nepal Trade were also discussed between the representatives of the Governments. It was decided to continue the discussions, for which purpose a delegation from India is expected to visit Kathmandu in the second half of December. 1966.

(c) HMG Nepal have assured that they would continue to take all necessary steps as far as feasible to ensure that goods exported by India to Nepal are not re-exported to other countries.

लाइसँस देने की प्रक्रिया

*535. श्री यदापाल सिद्धः श्री इन्द्रजीत गुप्तः श्री वासदेवन नायरः

क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या नई कम्पनियां स्थापित करने

को प्रोत्साहन देने के उद्देश्य से सरकार का लाइसेंस देने की प्रक्रिया में ग्रीर ढील देने का प्रस्ताव है ;

- (ख) यदि हां, तो क्या ढील दिये जाने का प्रस्ताव है ; ग्रीर
- (ग) इस सम्बन्ध में कब तक निर्णय किए जाने की संभावना है ?

उद्योग संत्री (श्री संजीवस्था): (क) से (ग) सरकार ने झाल ही में 29 भीर उद्योगों को उद्योग (विकास तथा विनियमन) प्रधिनियम, 1951 के लाइसेंस देने वाले उपबन्धों से मुक्त कर दिया है। इस सम्बन्ध में 14 नवम्बर, 1966 को सदन में दिये गयं वक्तळ्य की श्रोर ध्यान श्राक्षित किया जाता है।

Surplus Employees in Iron and Steel-Controller's Office

*536. Shri S. M. Banerjee: Will the Minister of Iron and Steel be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that nearly 700 employees of the Iron and Steel Controller's Office, Calcutta have been declared surplus to requirement after the Raj Committee Report; and
- (b) if so, the steps so far taken by Government to provide them with equivalent alternative jobs?

The Minister of Iron and Steel (Shri T. N. Singh); (a) and (b). No. Sir, Sofar only 111 employees have been declared surplus. All of them have been found equivalent alternative employment in other Government Departments/Offices.

Railway Zones

*537. Dr. L. M. Singhvi: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

 (a) the comparative railway kilcmetrage, size of personnel and labourforce and the areas of different zonal railways;