

(d) The Corporation has all along been following the policy of so investing its funds as to secure the maximum possible yield consistent with security, within the framework laid down by the Insurance Act, 1938.

#### Meeting of Eastern Zonal Council

\*434. **Shri Surendranath Dwivedy:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether any dates for a meeting of the Eastern Zonal Council have been fixed; and

(b) whether the Council have received any request from the Government of Orissa for consideration of the question of Saraikela and Kharsawan in the next meeting of the Council?

**The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri):** (a) Not yet.

(b) No.

#### Bhilai Steel Plant

\*435. { **Shri M. K. Kumaran:**  
**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:**

Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production in Bhilai Steel Plant is being held up due to non-availability of sufficient wagons to move out finished products; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to remove this bottleneck?

**The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam):**

(a) and (b). No, Sir. But during the first fortnight of April, 1962, the plant had to face certain difficulties on account of congestion in the stockyard. Both the Railways and the Steel Plant have taken steps to improve the situation by increasing the allotment of wagons, and their turn around.

#### Infiltration from East Pakistan

\*436. { **Shri Maheswar Naik:**  
**Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:**  
**Shri R. S. Tiwary:**

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether a scheme has been under examination of the Union Government for effective protection of the Indian border areas against infiltration from East Pakistan;

(b) what are the measures contemplated under the new scheme;

(c) what additional cost is likely to be incurred thereunder; and

(d) how soon the proposal is expected to be put into effect?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):** (a) (d). A proposal was received from the Government of Assam for the sanction of some additional police staff to strengthen patrolling and vigilance on the Indo-Pakistan border against infiltration of Pakistani nationals from East Pakistan and to take effective action against those who after coming to Assam with valid travel documents do not leave the country on the expiry of their authorised period of residence. The proposal, which involves an expenditure of Rs. 6.85 lakhs (annual) and Rs. 2.92 lakhs (non-recurring), has since been approved.

#### Metal and Steel Factory, Ichapore

{ **Shri H. P. Chatterjee:**  
\*437. { **Shri Daji:**  
**Shri S. M. Banerjee:**

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether production in 1961 in Metal and Steel Factory, Ichapore has increased to a great extent;

(b) if so, to what extent; and