

(b) if not, whether the present installed capacity of these mills is considered sufficient; and

(c) whether production of sawn timber in these mills is at present upto the installed capacity; and

(d) if not, the steps Government has taken or propose to take to utilise the installed capacity fully?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. The existing capacity in the Andamans including the Government-owned circular and band saw mills and the private mills, is considered adequate.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The layout of the Government mill at Chatham is being re-designed to result in better handling and consequently improved out-turn. Also, proposals are under consideration to step up production in the Band Saw Mill.

Retrenchment of Workers

*1371. **Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the South Eastern Railway Administration have retrenched the workmen employed in the construction of Quay Walls in Vishakhapatnam in connection with the Oil Refinery construction works;

(b) if so, whether the authorities concerned have complied with the provisions of the Industrial Disputes Act with regard to the payment of retrenchment benefits;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government have received any representation from the South Eastern Railway Oil Refinery Construction Workers Union in this regard; and

(e) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawas Khan): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The applicability of the provisions of the Industrial Disputes Act regarding grant of retrenchment compensation in the case of casual labour is under consideration by Government.

(d) and (e). Yes, Sir, but no action is being taken on this communication from an unrecognised Union.

Aerodrome at Dehra Dun

*1372. **Shri Raghunath Singh:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to have an aerodrome at Dehra Dun; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): (a) Yes, Sir, a proposal is under consideration.

(b) A preliminary survey of a site has been made but no estimates have yet been prepared.

Divisionalisation on Railways

*1373. **Sardar Iqbal Singh:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to re-consolidate the former B.B and C.I. and some portions of ex-Bikaner Railway metre gauge section, Delhi-Rewari-Fazilka, into one Division to improve the efficiency of working and service?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawas Khan): No, Sir.

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