

reply given to Starred Question No. 1225 on the 1st April, 1961 and state:

(a) whether Government have since considered the question regarding type of organisation for steel to be set up; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

**The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh):** (a) The matter is still under consideration.

#### Oil Industry in India

\*265. { Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi:  
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri:  
Shri P. C. Borooah:  
Shri Achar:  
Shri B. C. Mullick:

Will the Minister of **Steel, Mines and Fuel** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 323 on the 28th February, 1961 and state:

(a) whether negotiations between India and Italy for the development of oil industry in India have been concluded; and

(b) if so, with what result?

**The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### West German Investments in India

\*268. { Shri Pangarkar:  
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of **Finance** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 354 on the 28th February, 1961 and state the progress made so far in the negotiations with the West German Government regarding investment of their capital in India?

**The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha):** There has been no further progress in the negotiations.

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#### Alloy Steel

\*267. { Shri Chuni Lal:  
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:

Will the Minister of **Steel, Mines and Fuel** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered proposals received from private parties for manufacture of alloy steel; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

**The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have recently approved the grant of licences to fourteen private parties for the manufacture of tool, alloy and special steels for a total capacity of 246,600 tons per annum.

#### Assessment of Oil in Cambay Region

Shri Kunhan:  
\*268 { Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:  
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of **Steel, Mines and Fuel** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 479 on the 2nd March, 1961 and state:

(a) the progress made so far in the assessment of the Oil available in Cambay region; and

(b) the number of wells so far sunk?

**The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya):** (a) Several structures in Cambay region have been discovered by geophysical surveys. Test drilling is being carried out on three of these structures viz. Lunej, Ankleshwar and Kalol. Oil has been discovered in all these three areas. Drilling of more wells on these structures will be continued and the fields will then be put for trial production.