

Cement Factory at Yerraguntla

2119. Shri Eswara Reddy: Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated capacity of the proposed Cement Factory at Yerraguntla, Cuddapah District, Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) when it is likely to be commissioned?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) 600 tonnes a day or 200,000 tonnes a year.

(b) It is too early to say at present when the factory is likely to be commissioned. However, it usually takes 2-3 years to commission a cement plant after orders for plant and equipment are placed.

Fertilizer Factory

2120. Shri Jashvant Mehta: Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made after the preliminary report on fertilizer factory in Gujarat was received by Centre;

(b) whether any decision regarding foreign collaboration has been taken;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) further steps Government have taken to expedite the project?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) A licence under the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1955 was granted to Messrs Gujarat State Fertilisers Company on the 7th July, 1962 for the establishment of a factory for the production of Urea and Ammonium Phosphate with a total capacity of 96,000 tonnes in terms of nitrogen per annum. A detailed Project Report has been prepared and the Company has invited tenders for the supply of Urea and Ammonia Plants from selected firms abroad. The site for the factory and township has been

selected. About 420 acres of land have been acquired for the purpose.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) This is a project in the private sector with minority participation by the Government of Gujarat. The Government of India are very much interested in seeing that the project is completed as expeditiously as possible and will be rendering such assistance, wherever possible, as may be required by the Company, from time to time.

भारत के आयात और निर्यातों का मूल्य

२१२१. रामेश्वरानन्द : क्या वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि पिछले पांच वर्षों में भारत से कितनी राशि का माल निर्यात किया गया और कितनी राशिका माल आयात किया गया है ?

वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्रालय में अन्तरराष्ट्रीय व्यापार मंत्री (श्री मनुभाई शाह) : एक विवरण सभा पटल पर रखा जाता है [पुस्तकालय में रखा गया, देखिये संख्या एल०टी०-११७५/६३]

Small Scale Industries in Gujarat State

2122. Shri Jashvant Mehta: Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to notice of Government that small scale industries in Gujarat State are short of pig iron, and are on the verge of closure; and

(b) steps taken by Government to avert the closure of these small industries?