

tant. The matter is being further studied and investigated by the Consulting Engineers.

#### Roads in Orissa Coalfields

**949. Shri G. Mohanty:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme for improvement of roads in the Orissa Coalfields to facilitate the transport of Coal has been accepted by the Planning Commission; and

(b) if so, the salient features thereof?

**The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Small Scale Industries

**950. { Shri Karni Singhji:  
Shri Vishram Prasad:  
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:**

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi State Board of the All India Manufacturers Organisation has represented that small scale industries are experiencing acute shortage of raw materials and that licences are delayed in many cases upsetting production plans; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in the matter?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri Kanungo):** (a) and (b). No specific representation regarding acute shortage of raw materials experienced by the small scale industries and delay in issue of licences has been received from the Delhi State Board of the All India Manufacturers Organisation. The President of the All India Manufacturers Organisation, Delhi State Board, in his welcome address presented to the Minister of Industry at the 20th annual general meeting of the Board held on the 30th August, 1963 referred to the difficulties experienced by the manufacturers in get-

ting import licences, which include delay in the issue of licences and the curtailment in the quantum of licences issued on one ground or the other. It may be pointed out that the import licences are generally issued as expeditiously as possible and delay occurs only in cases where applications are not complete in all respects. As regards curtailment in the quantum of licences issued, it may be mentioned that in view of the shortage of foreign exchange it is not possible to issue licences to the full extent recommended in the Essentiality Certificates in all cases.

#### Heavy Mechanical Engineering Industries

**951. Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Heavy Mechanical Engineering industries will require 7,000 tons of Electric motors and 6,000 tons of ball bearings; and

(b) if so, how these requirements would be met?

**The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam):** (a) and (b). *Electric Motors:*

The demand for Heavy Mechanical Engineering industries alone has not been separately assessed. The total demand for all industries is estimated at 2.5 to 3 million HP per year by the end of the 3rd Plan. Motors of the higher ranges will be supplied by the units of the Heavy Electricals (India) Limited and those of the lower ranges by the private sector in which an aggregate capacity of about 1.9 million HP has been licensed.

#### Ball Bearings:

No separate estimate has been made of the demand for ball bearings alone or for heavy mechanical engineering industries alone. The total estimated