

made in the Jawad Hills, Polur Taluk, North Arcot District Madras State to find out the availability of sulphur deposits; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As a result of the investigations carried out by the Geological Survey of India between 1951—57, the reserves of pyrrhotite (an ore of sulphur) at Thaniar in the Jawad Hills which are not of much economic importance have been estimated at 24,400 tonnes with an average sulphur content of 25 per cent.

Salem Steel Project

110. { Shri Muthiah:
Shri Dharmalingam:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri Inder J. Malhotra:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether M/s. Dastoor and Company Technical Consultants have submitted their report regarding the Salem Steel Project;

(b) if so, the findings thereof; and

(c) if not, when the report will be submitted?

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

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The detailed project report is expected to be received shortly.

Industrial Estate, Berhampur (Orissa)

111. **Shri Mohan Nayak:** Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the upto-date progress made in the construction work of the Industrial Estate at Berhampur (Orissa State); and

(b) how many industries have been started uptil now and the progress thereof?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) and (b) The information is being collected from the Orissa Government and it will be laid on the Table of the House.

Complaints re: Imported Indian Goods

112. **Maharajkumar Vijaya Amarda:** Will the Minister of International Trade be pleased to state how many complaints were received during the last three years about the quality of the goods imported from India, the countries from which they were received and about which goods?

The Minister of International Trade (Shri Manubhai Shah): (i) The number of complaints received during the last three calendar years about the quality of goods imported from India is given below:

1961	64
1962	107
1963	83

(ii) Commodity/countrywise number of complaints during the calendar years 1961, 1962 and 1963 is given in Annexures 'A', 'B' and 'C', respectively, is laid on the Table [Placed in Library. See No. LT-2904/64].

Palana Lignite Corporation

113. { Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
Shri Yamuna Prasad
Mandal:
Shri N. P. Yadav:
Shrimati Akkamma Devi:
Shri P. L. Barupal:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether a final decision has been taken for setting up Palana Lignite Corporation in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, whether Russian Technicians, who will be associated with the project, have reached India;

(c) whether the project will be an integrated multi-purpose unit; and

(d) if so, what will be the nature of operations to be undertaken by the project and the extent of Soviet aid made available in terms of agreement?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) Yes, Sir. We have been informed by the Government of Rajasthan that they have decided to set up Palana Lignite Corporation.

(b) The matter regarding association of foreign technicians and the country from which they should be drawn is under consideration of the Government of Rajasthan.

(c) The present thinking is to make it an integrated project.

(d) The mining will be both underground and open cast. The question of Soviet aid does not arise at present.

Scooter Manufacturing Unit in West Bengal

114. { Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
Shri N. P. Yadav:
Shri Yamuna Prasad
Mandal:
Shrimati Akkamma Devi:
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of West Bengal have made special request for considering favourably the proposal of setting up of a new scooter manufacturing unit at a suitable place in the State;

(b) whether it is a fact that the demand of scooters is already out of all proportion to the supply in West Bengal and that one has to wait for at least 3 years in Calcutta to buy a Vespa; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that a legislative measure for gradual abolition of slow-moving traffic has been kept in abeyance for want of scooters and auto-vehicles?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) The Government of West Bengal had recommended the grant of a licence to a particular party for the manufacture of scooters, auto-cycles and mopeds. This recommendation was not however, accepted as sufficient capacity has already been licensed for the manufacture of these types of vehicles to meet the anticipated requirements by the end of the Third Plan period.

(b) The demand for scooters in the country is in excess of the actual production at present and customers in every part of the country have to wait for long periods for buying a scooter. The low production is due to foreign exchange difficulties. When the licensed manufacturers reach capacity production they will be able to meet the entire demand in the country.

(c) The Government of India do not have under consideration any legislative measure for the gradual abolition of slow-moving traffic.

बिहार में पटसन मिल

११५. श्री विभूति मिश्र : क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उत्तर बिहार के चम्पारन, मुजफ्फरपुर, दरभंगा, सहरसा