

of non-ferrous metals to Orissa were as follows:

Item	Quantity allotted in April-Sept, 64	Quantity allotted in October, 64 March 65
	(Figures in Metric Tons)	
Copper	219	Allocations have not yet been made
Zinc	97	
Tin	19.2	
Aluminium	12	
Lead	2.5	11

(b) and (c). No specific request from the Orissa Government for increasing their allocations during 1965-66 has been received. However, having regard to the very limited availability of Foreign Exchange for the purchase of non-ferrous metals and the recent rise in the prices of some of the metals, it would be extremely difficult to increase the quota of any State.

#### Industrial Licences in Orissa

1096. { Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:  
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:

Will the Minister of Industry and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for industrial licences received from Orissa during 1964; and

(b) the number out of them sanctioned and the number of those rejected?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Industry and Supply (Shri Bibudhendra Misra): (a).

(b) Approved: 2; Rejected: 3; and under consideration: 4.

#### Platform Shelters

1097. { Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:  
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of platform shelters

to be built on various stations on the South-Eastern Railway during 1965-66; and

(b) the amount to be spent thereon?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) and (b). Provision has been made in 1965-66 Works Programme of S.E. Railway for works of new platform shelters at 12 stations at an anticipated cost of Rs. 6.59 lakhs. In addition Works already in progress at 15 stations will be carried over as Works in progress.

#### Thefts in S.E. Railway Workshops

1098. { Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:  
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of theft cases detected in the South-Eastern Railway Workshops during 1964-65; and

(b) the monetary value thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) 27 (upto January 1965).

(b) Rs. 4,315.

#### Chandrapura-Muri Track of S.E. Railway

1099. Shri Indrajit Gupta: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated capital cost of the Chandrapura-Muri Section of the South-Eastern Railway;

(b) the date when this section was opened to goods and passenger traffic;

(c) the approximate gross earnings on this section during 1963-64 and 1964-65 (so far); and

(d) whether any economic analysis of project was made prior to its execution and whether it justified financially?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):**

(a) The estimated capital cost of Chandrapura-Muri section was Rs. 4.81 crores.

(b) The section was opened for goods traffic on 10-11-59 and passenger traffic on 22-12-60.

(c) The approximate gross earnings on this section during the years 1963-64 and 1964-65 were Rs. 86.28 and 83.07 lakhs respectively.

(d) An economic analysis for the section Chandrapura to Muri was made prior to authorising the scheme which indicated a return of 10.86 per cent in the 6th year after opening of the line.

#### **Delay in Running of Trains on Southern Railway**

**1100. Shri Koya:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware of the inordinate delay in the running of trains between Shoranur and Ernakulam (Southern Railway) due to a number of level crossings; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take for the doubling of this section?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subbag Singh):** (a) There is no delay to trains running on the Shoranur-Ernakulam Section due to the existence of level crossings.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **Mathura-Aligarh B.G. Rail Line**

**1101. Shri Krishnapal Singh:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposal to construct a broad-gauge railway line from Mathura to Aligarh via Vrindaban and Khair was considered some time back;

(b) if so, the reasons for not taking up this project so far; and

(c) the stage at which the matter stands now?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):**

(a) and (b). An examination of the traffic prospects for a B.G. line, from Mathura to Aligarh, 41 miles/66 KMs in length, was made in 1936-37 which showed a negligible return. Since the project was not found remunerative, the proposal was dropped. With the increase in present day cost of construction, the line will be even more unremunerative.

(c) This line is not included in Railways' programme of construction of new lines for the Third Plan. With the limited financial resources and material, the line cannot be considered for construction in the near future.

#### **Coal Production**

**1102. Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:** Will the Minister of Steel and Mines be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the coal industry has not been able to meet the requirements of the consumers and industry during the last six months; and

(b) if so, the efforts made to step up coal production?

**The Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri Sanjiva Reddy):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **Machine Tools Plant in W. Bengal**

**1103. { Shri Mohammad Elias:  
Shri Warrior:**

Will the Minister of Industry and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned a plan for a machine tools plant at Andul in West Bengal; and

(b) if so, the main features, thereof?