

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL, MINES AND METALS (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) Government are not aware of any acute shortage of soft coke in Delhi.

(b) Does not arise.

PRICE OF NEWSPRINT

5480. **SHRI YASHPAL SINGH:** Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering an upward revision of the cost structure of newsprint to provide enough incentives to entrepreneurs to enter the industry ;

(b) if so, when a decision would be announced ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) The question of upward revision of prices (and not the cost structure) of Newsprint from all its aspects is at present under consideration of Government.

(b) The decision of Government is likely to be taken in the near future.

(c) Does not arise.

C.A.C.O. DONATIONS

5481. **SHRI YASHPAL SINGH:** Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether he asked the Chairman of the Cement Allocation and Coordination Organisation to supply him further details of the donations made by C.A.C.O. to individuals and political parties out of funds accruing to it as a result of the price increase allowed by Government after decontrol ;

(b) if so, whether he has received a reply ; and

(c) whether it will be placed on the Table of the House.

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The details of donations and other expenditure furnished by CACO are given in the statement laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library, See No. LT-2171/67].

RAILWAY ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT

5482. **SHRI YASHPAL SINGH:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a set-back to the Railway's electrification programme due to the supply of sub-standard equipment by the Heavy Electricals Factory, Bhopal ; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

FREE RAILWAY PASSES TO MADRAS M.L.As.

5483. **SHRI YASHPAL SINGH:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of Madras have urged the Railway Ministry to issue free passes to Members of the State Legislature to travel within the State; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

UNIFIED TRADE UNIONS IN PUBLIC SECTOR STEEL PLANTS

5484. **DR. RANEN SEN:** Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND METALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration to have unified Trade Unions in all the public sector Steel Plants;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the existing Trade Unions in the Steel Plant have been consulted in the matter; and

(d) if so, Government's reaction thereto ?