

**New Industries in Delhi**

1224. SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number and nature of new industries started by Government in the Union Territory of Delhi, the capital invested in each, the labour employed in each during the last three years and the dates of their inception;

(b) the number and nature of new industries proposed to be set up in the private and public sector in the near future with amounts to be invested in each;

(c) the dates by which these industries are likely to be started and the places where they will be located; and

(d) the reasons for delay in this matter.

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) to (d) . No new large and medium industries have been set up by the Government during the last three years in Delhi Territory ; there are also no such proposals with the Government for the Fourth Plan period. It is not possible to indicate the new industries that may be set up in the Union Territory of Delhi in the private sector in the near future, as the establishment of such industries and their location depend on the initiative and choice of private entrepreneurs.

**Detention of Amritsar-Bound Punjab Mail at Lucknow and Loot by Military Personnel**

1225. SHRI N. R. LASKAR :  
SHRI MAYAVAN :  
SHRI SAMINATHAN :  
SHRI DHANDAPANI :  
SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU :  
SHRI NARAYANAN :  
SHRI GADILINGANA GOWD :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Amrit-

sar bound Punjab Mail was detained in Lucknow on the 11th January, 1970 for a few hours by the military personnel who had compelled the engine driver to move the train ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Howrah-bound Janta Express was made to run in the night during which many military personnel had also looted a few stalls and damaged some Railway property ;

(c) whether any enquiry has been held into both the incidents ;

(d) if so, the result of the enquiry ; and

(e) whether any action has been taken against those held responsible ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NANDA) : (a) No. 5 Up Punjab Mail was detained by the Station Master at Lucknow for about 18 minutes beyond the scheduled stoppage on the night of 11/12-1-1970 at the request of Section Officer, G. R. P./Lucknow for conducting investigations.

(b) No.

(c) No.

(d) and (e) . Do not arise.

**Development of Small Enterprises on statutory basis**

1226. SHRI N. R. LASKAR :  
SHRI MAYAVAN :  
SHRI SAMINATHAN :  
SHRI DHANDAPANI :  
SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU :  
SHRI NARAYANAN :  
SHRI C. C. DESAI :  
SHRI D. N. DEB :  
SHRI PILOO MODY :  
SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM :  
SHRIMATI SHARDA MUKERJEE :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a Government delegation which went to Japan some

time back to study the organisation of small scale industries has recommended development of small enterprises on a statutory basis :

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) what are the other recommendations made by the delegation ; and

(d) which of those recommendations have been accepted by Government ?

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

(b) The matter is under examination by the Govt.

(c) The other recommendations relate to widening of the small scale industries programme to include small service units and small commercial units, strengthening of SSIDO, development of ancillary industries, setting up of trade centres, development of exports of the small scale sector, and purchase of technical know-how from abroad for the benefit of this sector.

(d) All the recommendations are under examination by Govt.

#### Loss due to delay in Commissioning of Bokaro Steel Plant

1227. SHRI N. R. LASKAR :  
SHRI DHANDAPANI :  
SHRI NARAYANAN :  
SHRI R. K. BIRLA :  
SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY :  
SHRI SAMINATHAN :  
SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU :  
SHRI D. N. PATODIA :  
SHRI MAYAVAN :

Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has estimated a loss of Rs. 122 crores on account of the two year delay in the commissioning of the Bokaro Steel Plant;

(b) if so, whether the commissioning of the plant has been postponed thrice so far

resulting in an escalation in the cost by Rs. 165 crores;

(c) whether the main cause was the delay in procurement of supplies from the Heavy Engineering Corporation and Mining and Allied Machinery Corporation;

(d) whether experts on steel have doubts about the profitability of this Plant which will have 5.5 million tonne capacity; and

(e) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) and (b) . The figure of Rs. 122 crores, was mentioned in answer to the Unstarred Question No. 3132 (Lok Sabha) on the 12th August, 1969, and referred to the estimated value of the steel which would have been produced by Bokaro steel plant in the first fifteen months after being commissioned. The delay in commissioning has now been assessed at 24 months. The value of production during the period will, therefore, increase correspondingly. However, this figure of the value of production foregone does not represent loss incurred on account of the delay as it does not take into account the cost of production. The actual loss on account of the delay in commissioning of the plant calculated on the basis of administrative and other over-heads is estimated at Rs. 25 lakhs per month.

(c) No, Sir. There are a number of factors which in combination, have led to the deferment of the commissioning schedule. The delay in supplies of equipment from HEC and MAMC is only one of such factors; for more serious has been the failure of indigenous manufacture of refractories to fulfil their contractual obligations.

(d) and (e) . No, Sir. It is expected that the plant will be economically viable at the production stage of 4 million tonnes of ingot steel per year. No estimates of Profitability at 5.5 million stage have been made as the expansion of the plant only up to the 4 million tonne stage has, at present been approved by Government.