

for three years valued at Rs. 18 lakhs approximately per annum.

(c) Japan, Malaysia, Uganda, Tanzania, South Korea, Taiwan, Phillipines and Singapore.

(d) The earnings during the last 3 years and the expected earning in 1970 are as follows :-

	<i>Year</i>	<i>In lakhs of Rupees</i>
(1)	1967	90
(2)	1968	128
(3)	1969	130
(4)	1970	214

Setting up of Gas Cylinder Factory at Naini (Allahabad)

1396. SHRI VISHWA NATH PANDEY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have approved the setting up of a Gas Cylinder Factory in the public sector at Naini (Allahabad), U. P. ;

(b) if so, when ; and

(c) the total amount of expenditure to be incurred on this factory ?

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

(b) The decision to implement this project was taken in January, 1970. The plant is expected to go into production within about 24 months.

(c) The capital cost of the project is estimated at Rs. 378.07 lakhs.

Bokaro under Hindustan Steel Limited

1397. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

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

stan Steel Limited is trying to bring the Bokaro Steel Plant under its control ;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto ; and

(c) whether any change in the present set up has been proposed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) . Do not arise.

Central Assistance to Small Scale Industries in West Bengal

1398. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister in a letter to the Industries Minister of West Bengal has assured of Central assistance for the small scale industries ;

(b) if so, what are the particulars of the Central offer ; and

(c) whether similar offers have been made to other State Governments and, if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) . Do not arise.

Visit of World Bank Team to Western Railway

1399. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a world Bank Team recently visited the Western Railway ; and

(b) if so, the purpose of the visit ?