Allotment of Scooters to Officers Reiations from Manufacturers Quota

1402. SHRI K. SURYANARAYANA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 464 on the 15th November, 1972 and state:

- (a) whether he is aware that some officers of his Ministry obtained Scooters for their near relations and family members from the Manufacturers out of the Manufacturers quota during 1972;
 - (b) if so, their designations;
- (c) whether these cases were brought to his notice; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRY (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD):
(a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Toss incurred by Heavy Electricals India Ltd., Bhopal

1403. SHRI SUKHDEO PRASAD VERMA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRY be pleased to state.

- (a) the total loss suffered by the State-owned Heavy Electricals Factory, Bhopal since the project went into production in 1960;
- (b) whether Government have investigated the causes of the loss; and
- (c) if so, the necessary measures taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRY (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD):
(a) Rs 58.98 crores upto 31st March, 1972.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The working of the Company is under constant review by the Mamagement and the Government. The

organisation of the Company has been streamlined; incentive schemes have been introduced to achieve the production targets; to relieve partly the interest burden on cash losses during the gestation period, a moratorium on the re-payment of instalments of loans for 3 years and interest relief for the same period on the accumulated cash losses upto 31st March, 1972, has been sanctioned. The working results of the unit has shown considerable improvement recently and it is expected that this favourable trend will continue.

Geological Map of Kerala

1404. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Kerala Circle of the Geological Survey of India has prepared a geological and mineral map of Kerala; and
- (b) if so, the general features thereof and the steps the Government have taken to exploit the resources available according to the map?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SUKHDEV PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Kerala State can be broadly divided into 3 longitudinal strips, namely coastal plains, central uplands and high ranges. The coastal plains are made up of recent and subrecent geological formations of beach and dune sands, river alluvium and backwater sediments. The central unlands are partly made up of sedimentary rocks of tertiary age and partly by the crystalline rocks of Archaean and Lower pre-Cambrian age which are capped at many places by a ferruginous rock called laterite. The high ranges are entirely made up of the crystalling rocks. The beach and dune sands are the storehouse of ilmenite-rutile-monazite-zircon the sands near Chavara and glass and