

requirements for the Fifth Plan projects in various sectors including steel. It is premature to state the sources from which such resources would be forthcoming, and the extent to which they would be made available.

Export of Manganese Ore

1626. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of Manganese ore we are exporting annually;

(b) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the statement made by the former Director General of Geological Survey at the recently held Indian Science Congress in Chandigarh, warning against the fatal consequences if India continues export of Manganese ore unchecked; and

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) Exports of manganese ore during 1969-70, 1970-71 and 1971-72 were of the order of 11.59 lakh tons, 16.36 lakh tons and 10.46 lakh tons respectively.

(b) and (c). The Government is aware of the situation and proposes to apply restrictions on export of manganese ore with reference to manganese contents of ore, those in higher

grades being more restricted than those in lower grades.

रेयन मिलों में श्रमिकों की कोटि

1627. डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडेय :

क्या वाणिज्य मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या रेयन मिल्स की गणना कैमिकल फैक्टरीज में की जाती है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इन मिलों में काम करने वाले श्रमिकों को वही सुविधाएं दी गई हैं जो कैमिकल फैक्टरीज के श्रमिकों को उपलब्ध हैं; और

(ग) रेयन मिल्स देश में कहां-कहां पर स्थित हैं ?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री ए० सी० जार्ज) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) जी हां।

(ग) एक विवरण संलग्न है।