

Issue of Letters of Intent

3365. SHRI DHARAMA VIR VASISHT: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Industrial Licences and letters of intent issued by Government in the months of April, May and June 1977, Industry/State-wise;

(b) whether licences issued conform to Industrial Policy; and

(c) if so, with what employment potential?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-687/77].

(b) Yes, Sir;

(c) According to the data furnished in the applications by grantees of Industrial Licences and holders of Letters of Intent, issued in April, May and June 1977, the likely employment potential is indicated to be 33,560.

National Highway passing through Gwalior

3366. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that National Highway passing through Gwalior and adjoining districts of Madhya Pradesh is in a bad shape and needs immediate attention for repairs;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI): (a) to (c). The National Highway No. 3 which passes through Gwalior and its adjoining districts of Madhya Pradesh, is reported to be in an unsatisfactory state in sections where it is single lane and passes through black cotton soil area. In these sections also whenever any necessity for repairs arises, it is done expeditiously by the State P.W.D. working as an agent of the Central Government.

The National Highway is being improved, widened to two lanes and strengthened in a phased manner according to the availability of funds. Estimates amounting to Rs. 11.44 crores have been approved for the purpose for the length of 675 Kms. of the National Highway in Madhya Pradesh during 4th and 5th Plan periods and the works are under different stages of execution. Some estimates are still awaited from the State P.W.D.

NDMC Bus Routes in Delhi

3367. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of deteriorating bus service in Delhi especially on the routes where NDMC is running its buses;

(b) what is the frequency of NDMC bus service on route No. 52 ex-Regal to Nauroji Nagar;

(c) whether there is no bus service on this route during peak hours of office time as buses are also diverted to Kidwai Nagar out of the buses of the same route No. 52;

(d) whether there is also no bus service on this route from 13.00 to 15.00 hours as being rest period for NDMC staff; and