

of steel per month/per year, year-wise, during 1982 to 1984 for this plant; and

(c) the profit or loss year-wise, during the period 1982 to 1984 and the reasons therefor ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) :** (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Manufacture of Electrolytic Manganese Dioxide in Orissa**

**7085. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI :** Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether manufacture of electrolytic manganese dioxide in Orissa has been delayed for want of clearance of entering into foreign collaboration ;

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken for expediting the same ; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to commence manufacturing ?

**THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE) :** (a) to (c). M/s. Electro-Chem Limited, Orissa were issued a letter of intent on 8.2.74 for the manufacture of 3000 TPA of Electrolytic Manganese Dioxide which was subsequently converted into an Industrial Licence on 26.4.1980 subject to the condition that no foreign collaboration would be permitted and it would be based on indigenous technology. In March 1984, the

company submitted an application for amendment of the industrial licence to permit them to have foreign collaboration for the above project since the indigenous technology was not viable on a commercial scale. The application of the company has been examined by Government in detail and a decision on it is likely to be taken shortly.

**Expenditure on Lunch/Dinner Hosted by Central Silk Board**

**7086. SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD YADAV :** Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Central Silk Board hosted a lunch and dinner at Malda and in that the amount of Rs. 74,000 were spent ;

(b) whether it is permissible under rules ; and

(c) the details of lunch and dinner hosted by Central Silk Board in 5-star hotels in Delhi and elsewhere during the last three years ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRASHEKHAR SINGH) :** (a) and (b). No, Sir. In fact a sum of Rs. 71,592.50 was spent by the Central Silk Board for organising a function at the site of Board's Research Sub-section at Mothabari (Malda) when an exhibition was arranged for demonstrating improved techniques of rearing, improved varieties of Mulberry and Silk-worm races to the rearers.

(c) A statement is attached.

**Statement**

Date	Particulars	Expenditure
1	2	3
1982-83		
24.8.82	Lunch hosted for members of the Board and invitees for the 57th General Body meeting of the	Rs. 2860.00

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	Board at Ashok Mayur, New Delhi.	
19-83-84		
23.7.83	Lunch hosted for members of the Board and invitees for the 59th General Body meeting of the Board at Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubaneswar.	Rs. 3277.40
12.9.83	Lunch hosted for the participants in the meeting held to discuss sericulture development, incl., chairman, vice-chairman Maharashtra State Khadi Board (Bombay).	Rs. 987.00
28.1.84	Dinner for the award winners and other 200 invitees and exporters in connection with the Annual Award Function for outstanding export performance of natural silk in Hotel Ashoka, New Delhi	Rs. 16860.10
1984-85		
10.5.84 and 11.5.84	Lunches hosted for the members of the Board and invitees for 61st General Body meeting of the Board (Srinagar).	Rs. 6,903.70
1984-85		
21.5.84	Lunch for about 200 participants and VIP invitees incl., 50 foreign delegates in connection with International Sericultural Commission Conference held at Hotel Ashok, Bangalore.	Rs 14,412.00
25.5.84	—do—	Rs. 10,140.40
25.5.84	Dinner for about 200 participants and VIP invitees incl., 50 Foreign delegates in connection with International Sericultural Commission Conference at Hotel Ashok, Bangalore.	Rs. 20,170.00
18.6.84	Lunch for the participants of Swiss Development Cooperation and officials of CSB for discussing	Rs. 12,278.00

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	Inter-state Tasar Project at New Delhi.	
19.12.84	Lunch for Mr. A. Felcke, Representative of World Bank and other participants at the Wrap up meeting of World Bank at Ashok Hotel New Delhi.	Rs. 3292.10
13.9.84	Lunch for members of the Board and invitees for 62nd General Body meeting of Board in Ashok Hotel, New Delhi.	Rs. 5,741.60
17.1.85	Meeting taken by Chairman CSB with Directors of Sericulture and Chief Conservator of forests in Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubaneswar.	Rs. 2,195.00
16.3.85	Lunch for members of the Board and invitees for 63rd General Body meeting of the Board in Ashok Hotel, New Delhi.	Rs. 7,295.00

*[Translation]***Export of Horses**

7087. MR. CHANDRA SHEKHAR TRIPATHI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are given permission for the export of horses ;

(b) if so, from which date and the terms and conditions thereof :

(c) the names of the countries to which horses are being exported at present and are likely to be exported after this policy comes into force along with the number of horses likely to be exported to each country ; and

(d) the terms and conditions under which the horses will be exported ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRASHEKHAR SINGH) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, as per the Export Policy for April 1985-March

1988, announced on 12th April, 1985, export of Horses other than Kathiwari, Marawari and Manipuri breeds is permitted "On Merits" in each case.

(c) in terms of the current policy, nonrequests have been received so far for export of horses. It is not possible to envisage the likely exports of Horses as each request is considered On Merits.

(d) Each request for export of permissible breeds of Horses is considered "On Merits".

*[English]*

**Restaurants Run by Indian Tea and  
Restaurants Limited Facing  
Financial Problems**

7088. PROF. RAMKRISHNA MORE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that two restaurants run by the Indian Tea and Restaurants Limited, a public sector under-