

level of 272 has been treated as dearness pay with effect from 30-9-77 for the purpose of retirement benefits to the employees.

#### Price of Steel Products of Durgapur Steel Plant

3079. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) prices of steel products of Durgapur Steel Plant;

(b) by whom are the prices of Durgapur Steel Plant products fixed—DSP management or the Government or the Railways; and

(c) what is the price of a wheel set

produced by Durgapur Steel Plant and the imported price of a wheel set?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE & STEEL AND MINES (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) & (b). The prices of steel products of the main steel plants, including Durgapur Steel Plant, are determined and announced by the Joint Plant Committee. The current prices of the products of Durgapur Steel Plant are indicated in the Statement.

(c) The latest imported F.O.B. price of a wheel set for a 20 tonne wagon is Rs. 7069. The price of a similar set produced by Durgapur Steel Plant is Rs. 5370.49.

#### Statement

#### THE PRESENT PRICES OF STEEL PRODUCTS OF DURGAPUR STEEL PLANT

| CATEGORY                                                                     | Base prices in Rs. per tonne F.O.R. Railhead Station |                                    |                                   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                                                              | Standard IS : 226                                    | Commercial IS : 1977 St. 42/St. 32 | Off-grade                         |
| Joists                                                                       | 2534                                                 | 2523                               | 2511                              |
| Crossing Sleeper Bars, Bearing Plate Bars, and Structural s excluding Joists | 2454                                                 | 2442                               | 2431                              |
|                                                                              |                                                      | <i>Tested</i>                      |                                   |
| Shell Blooms                                                                 |                                                      | 2155                               |                                   |
| Shell Bars                                                                   |                                                      | 2488                               |                                   |
|                                                                              |                                                      | <hr/>                              |                                   |
|                                                                              |                                                      | IS-2830                            | IS-2831                           |
| Billets/R. C. Squares                                                        | 2207                                                 | 2195                               | 2178                              |
| Blooms and Slabs                                                             | 2149                                                 | 2138                               | 2120                              |
| Bars and Rods in Coils/Straight length                                       |                                                      | Standard IS-226                    | Commercial IS-1977 ; St 42/St. 32 |
|                                                                              |                                                      | <hr/>                              |                                   |
| Upto 25 mm                                                                   | 2667                                                 | 2655                               | 2638                              |
| Flats of all sizes                                                           | 2819                                                 | 2808                               | 2791                              |
|                                                                              |                                                      | Tested                             | Untested                          |
|                                                                              |                                                      | <hr/>                              |                                   |
| Seamless Bar                                                                 | 3228                                                 |                                    |                                   |
| Skelp                                                                        | 3131                                                 | 3102                               |                                   |

|                                                                                    | <u>Base prices in Rs./<br/>tonne F. O. R. works</u> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Wheels (all categories) . . . . .                                                  | 3602                                                |
| Tyres (IRS : R-15)                                                                 |                                                     |
| (i) B. G. Carriage and Wagon Tyre (W-492, W-501, Box Wagon Tyres) . . . . .        | 3292                                                |
| (ii) Carriage Wagon and Loco Tyres 864 mm dia & below                              | 3482                                                |
| (iii) Loco Tyre above 864 mm dia . . . . .                                         | 3352                                                |
| (iv) Diesel Electric Loco & EMU Tyres (B. G. M. G. N. G. Water quenched) . . . . . | 3974                                                |
| Axles (All categories) . . . . .                                                   | 4480                                                |
| Sleepers Pressed . . . . .                                                         | 1682                                                |

**Note :**

1. All existing JPC Section/Size and Quality Extras and rebates in force will continue to apply
2. Extras and rebates presently applicable for Billets will apply to R. C. Squares also.

• Deliveries of all items of steel from Producers' Stockyard Handling charges will be recovered at the rate of Rs. 35/- per tonne in addition to the prices above.

**Contractor Workers engaged in HSCO, Burnpur and Kult**

3080. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state the number of contractor workers regularised against permanent vacancies during the last three years in both the units of HSCO?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE & STEEL AND MINES (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): The management of the Indian Iron and Steel Company is discussing the details and modalities of the departmentalisation of contract workers with the five operating trade unions as per existing practice. They could not, unfortunately, departmentalise any such job during the last three years.

**Money deposited in Uttar Pradesh**

3081. SHRI ZAINUL BASHER: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) how much money has been deposited with the nationalised banks in Uttar Pradesh for the last five years and how much money was advanced in that State;

(b) the details year-wise; and

(c) what was the percentage of advanced money received by marginal farmers, landless farmers and artisans with details separately?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI MAGANBHAI BAROT): (a) and (b). Available information is set out in Statement I