

**Closure of Kanti Cotton Mills in Surendranagar**

8870. SHRI DIGTIJAY SINH : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) for how many days the Kanti Cotton Mills in Surendranagar Gujarat remained closed;

(b) what Provident Fund amount has been accumulated till now;

(c) whether a request has been made to reimburse 75 per cent of this accumulated amount to the labourers; and

(d) if so, when this amount will be given?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI DHARMAVIR) : (a) According to the information received from the Government of Gujarat, the Mill remains closed from 9-6-1981.

(b) The outstanding Provident Fund accumulations amount to Rs. 1.58 crores.

(c) and (d). The Regional Provident Fund Commissioner, Gujarat State has reimbursed in full the employees' share of contribution amounting to Rs. 65.27 lakhs on receipt of applications from the workers. The payment of 75% of the employer's share of the accumulations would be made similarly on receipt of applications from the members.

**Hungary's offer for manufacture of heavy trucks**

8871. DR. SUBRAMANIAM SWAMY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Hungary has offered India its technological know-how

and expertise for the manufacture of heavy trucks;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the Central Government's response to this offer?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARARAN DATT TIWARI) : (a) to (c). M/s. Kirloskar Cummins Ltd. have submitted an application to Government for grant of an industrial licence for the manufacture of heavy vehicles with the technical assistance of M/s. RABA of Hungary. The matter is under consideration of the Government.

**1982 as productivity year**

8872. SHRI K.T. KOSALRAM : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the steps proposed to be taken to translate Prime Ministers's desire that 1982 should be declared as productivity year ;

(b) the details of industrial policy relaxations made by Government during the past two years ; and

(c) whether they have yielded the expected results ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI) : (a) Following the declaration of 1982 as "Productivity Year" certain proposals for enabling the industrial undertakings to step up production are formulated. These proposals relate to removal of production constraints, re-definition of production priorities and encouragement of sectorally inter-related production.

(b) The important measures taken and relaxations made during