

cants were given guidance in groups, 960 applicants were guided individually and 1,422 applicants were placed in technical institutions.

Transport Facilities in Dandakaranya Area

1420. Shri Panigrahi: Will the Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether adequate transport facilities have been introduced in Dandakaranya area by now;

(b) the extent to which road mileage has been improved; and

(c) the roads which have been newly constructed by now?

The Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs: (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). Attention of the Hon'ble Member is invited to the reply given by me on 10th December, 1959 to Unstarred Question No. 1263.

Paper Factory in Kalyansingpur (Orissa)

1421. Shri Panigrahi: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether M/s Straw Products Ltd. have been given a licence to start a paper factory in Kalyansingpur in the Koraput district of Orissa;

(b) if so, whether the construction work of the factory has started; and

(c) when the factory is expected to go into production?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Preliminary steps are being taken by the firm and the factory is expected to go into production in 1962-63.

Export of Manganese Ore

1422. Shri Panigrahi: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has made any export of Manganese ore during the period from June to November, 1959; and

(b) if so, the quantity exported (country-wise)?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) and (b). A statement giving the information from June to September, 1959 is laid on Table [See Appendix III, annexure No. 34]. Figures for subsequent months are not yet available.

Salt Production in Orissa

1423. Shri Panigrahi: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of salt produced in Orissa during the years 1957-58 and 1958-59 separately;

(b) the factory-wise production of Salt during these two years separately;

(c) the amount of financial assistance given to the different factories during these two years for increasing salt production;

(d) whether any financial assistance has been extended to Orissa for improving road communication in the salt producing areas of Orissa, such as Astarang, Huma and Sumadi; and

(e) if so, the amount of aid given?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):

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(a) 1957-58	14,07,000
1958-59	19,92,000

(b) A statement giving the information desired is given below.

(c) No direct financial assistance has been given to individual factories, but substantial assistance in the form of execution of development works which