to set appart courts for trying crimes against women; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): (a) and (b). The Delhi has by an order, High Court earmarked the court of Shri J.D. Additional District Sessions Judge, Delhi for trial of all cases pertaining to dowry deaths, presently pending in various courts. The fresh cases pertaining to dowry deaths shall also be assigned to the court of Shri J.D. Kapur. Five courts of Metropolitan Magistrates for North, East, West, Central and South (including New Delhi) Police Districts have been earmarked for trial of cases under sec. 125 Gr. P.C.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.

Recession in Industrial Sector

1561. PROF. RUPCHAND PAL: SHRI BAPUSAHEB PARULEK AR: SHRI RAMAVATAR SHASTRI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of industries have been seriously hit by recession; and
- (b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to tide over the crisis ?

THE MINISTER OF IN-STEEL AND DUSTRY AND MINES (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) and (b). On the basis of C.S.O. index of industrial produc-

tion (provisional), the overall index has shown a rise of 6.1 per cent in April-June 1982 compared to April-June 1981. While industrial production has generally registered at increase, some short-term adjustments between supply and demand in certain industries may be deemed to be an aspect of a natura process.

Import of Coking Coal

1562. SHRI SUDHIR KUMAR GIRI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of coking coa imported during the year 1981-8: and to be imported in 1982-83;
- (b) the total production of coking coal during 1981-82 in the country and the total need in 1982-83; and
- (c) the effective measures taker to increase the production of coking coal ?

THE MINISTER OF IN-DUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) During 1981-82, a quantity of 0.647 million tonnes of coking coal was imported for use in SAIL steel plants. It is proposed to import a quantity of about 1.6 million tonnes of coking coal in the year 1982-83.

- (b) The total coking coal production from Coal India Ltd. during 1981-82 was of the order of 24.314 million tonnes. During 1982-83, it is estimated that production of coking coal will be 26.30 million
- (c) To increase production of prime coking coal, measures have been taken to reconstruct collieries at Jharia and to open new prime coking coal mines and washeries; Construction of medium coking coal wasl eries has also been undertaken.