

(a) The total number of units registered with the Directorate of Industries in Bihar as on 31.3.1971 was 8637. Collection of information indicating the names of places where these units are situated will not be commensurate with the time and labour involved in its collection.

(b) & (c). Yes, Sir. There are general shortage of iron and steel in the country and it is not a problem peculiar to Bihar alone. The Government is making continuous efforts to increase the allocation of iron and steel for the small scale sector as a whole. Sometime back it was also decided to import iron and steel specifically for small Scale Industries for an amount of Rs. 20 00 crores.

Shifting of Capital of Gujarat

1967. SHRI SOMCHAND SOLANKI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the proposal for a new capital of Gujarat State at Gandhinagar has been dropped ;

(b) if so, the reason therefor ; and

(c) whether Central Government propose to transfer the constructed buildings to the military camp at Gandhinagar ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS : (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) . Do not arise.

Criteria for Providing Funds To States

1968. SHRI MARTAND SINGH : Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) the criteria determined by Government while making allocation of funds for Annual Plans of the States ; and

(b) the amount granted by the Central Government, State-wise, during 1968-69, 1969-70 and 1970-71?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA) : (a) and (b). The size of the Annual Plans of States is determined on the basis of the Central assistance and their own resources. The sectoral distribution of the total

resources available for the Annual Plans is worked on the basis of the actual progress in the previous year, the anticipated performance the current year and the five year target in financial and physical terms.

The total assistance of Rs. 590 crores available for the States Annual Plan 1968-69 was distributed among individual States on the basis of the proportion between the five year assistance of individual States (1966-71) and the total five year Central assistance available to all States after applying a correction factor to the extent of 1/3rd of over payment or short payment of Central assistance during 1966-67 and 1967-68 as the case may be in case of individual States. An additional amount of Rs.26.90 crores was allocated later in the year to a few States for accelerating the progress of a few major irrigation schemes and minor irrigation and for meeting the special requirements of Nagaland.

As for the year 1969-70 and 1970-71, the distribution of total assistance available for States' Annual Plans was made in the same proportion as the Fourth Plan (1969-74) Central assistance of each State : bears to the total Fourth Plan (1969-74) Central assistance for all States.

The grant component of the Central assistance in 1968-69 was determined on the basis of schematic patterns of assistance in vogue in that year. Since the commencement of the Fourth Five Year Plan—1969-70, a fixed proportion of the total Central assistance (30%) is uniformly made available in the form of grant to all the States. In case of development Plans of Nagaland, hill areas of Assam, U.P. , West Bengal, Tamil Nadu and border areas of Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir more liberal grant component is made available.

A statement is laid on the Table of the House indicating the Central assistance (loan and grant) sanctioned for the States, Annual Plans 1968-69, 1969-70 and 1970-71 [Placed in library. see No LT-1660 172]

Shifting of Units of Thumba Space Research Centre to Hyderabad

1969. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state :