

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIA) : (a) Yes

(b) The Planning Commission, to whom a reference was made, suggested that the provision of a B G. line from Dehri-on-Sone to Amjhore/Banjari may be kept in abeyance till the question of Sindri expansion is settled by the Committee appointed for the purpose. Further advice from the Planning Commission is awaited.

Import of sophisticated machinery for modernising Textile Industry

6342. SHRI YAMUNA PRASAD MANDAL : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to make certain changes in their plan to import sophisticated machinery for modernising the cotton textile industry ; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) The programme of import of sophisticated machinery will be implemented to the extent of foreign exchange availability.

(b) Does not arise.

U. N. I. D. Os offer for Asian International Trade Fair 1972

6343. SHRI YAMUNA PRASAD MANDAL : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether recently United Nations Industrial Development Organisation has offered Industrial Promotion Service for the Asian International Trade Fair 1972 ;

(b) if so, the broad outlines of the offer made ; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The broad outlines of the offer are given in the statement attached.

(c) The Government of India has accepted the offer made by UNIDO. The Fair Authority will provide them free covered space as also services of an officer to assist them in their activities in the Fair.

Statement

UNIDO's Industrial Promotion Service (IPS) make use of Industrial and trade fairs as good contact points to promote potential business transactions for the benefit of developing countries. It provides participants of developing countries with an opportunity to meet their counter-parts from industrialised countries who generally are in a position to supply know-how equipments and/or commercial cooperation. Industry Days are organised by the I. P. S. to give the potential consumers and suppliers the chance to make formal or informal presentations and to discuss their specific needs and problems. Private meetings are also arranged on request so that the parties concerned can explore possibilities involving joint ventures ; advisory services or managerial assistance.

UNIDO propose to send a team of experts at their cost to run the Industrial Promotion Service in the Fair.

Appointment of Chief Justices of High Courts

6344. SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE : Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state :

(a) the criteria for appointment of Chief Justice of a High Court by transfer of a Judge from another High Court ; and

(b) whether the Chief Justice of India is consulted in cases of such transfers and appointments ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI H. R. GOKHALE) : (a) and (b). The criteria followed for appointment of Chief Justice by transfer from another High Court are merit and suitability as revealed by qualifications and experience and the record of performance as a Judge of the High Court. The Chief Justice of India is invariably consulted before a Judge is transferred from one High Court to another.