

(vi) Multi-National Technical Co-operation.

A number of recommendations were made at the Seminar highlighting the importance of Standardisation to developing countries, advocating an integrated approach to quality control and standardisation, touching upon the significance of regional standardisation and dealing with the fruitful approach to problems of implementation and quality certification. The Seminar also agreed with the necessity of having a Centre for Standardisation under the aegis of United Nations for helping developing countries in various standardisation problems.

Bogus Industrial Units in Andhra Pradesh

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Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state

(a) whether 76 Industrial Units in Andhra have been found bogus

(b) whether there are many such bogus industrial units existing in other States also and

(c) If so, whether in view of the large scale number of bogus Industrial Units existing in the country Government propose to set up a vigilance body to check such bogus units which hamper Industrial growth in the country?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) (a) Yes, Sir. Investigations have revealed existence of a certain number of such units

(b) Reports received from State Government, reveal that while there may be some bogus units in some states their details are not readily available.

(c) No such body is contemplated. However, State Directors of Industries have been advised to be more vigilant.

Local and Trunk Calls put through by Defence Minister from Official Residence

3341 SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) the number of local and trunk calls made by the Defence Minister from his official residence at New Delhi during the period from the 1st April, 1971 to 30th October, 1972, month-wise

(b) the amount of the bills paid by Government on account of these calls, and

(c) whether there is any expenditure ceiling for use of telephones by the Minister and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H N BAHUGUNA)

(a) and (b) A statement showing the number of local calls and trunk calls made from the telephones working for the Minister of Defence at his official residence and the amounts paid therefor by the Ministry of Defence is given in Statement I laid on the Table of this House [Placed in Library See No LT-3928/72]

The number of local calls made during each month is not available since the meter readings are not taken calendar month-wise. The meter readings are being taken fortnightly. The fortnightly meter readings and the number of local calls registered during each fortnight from March '71 to November '72 (first week) are given in Statement-II laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-3928/72.]

(c) There is no expenditure ceiling for use of telephones by the Ministers. It has not been considered necessary to impose any ceiling in this regard.